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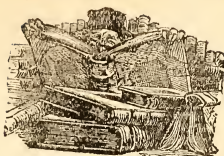
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## JOHN RAND.

BY REV. C. W. WALLACE, D. D.

Rand is a name of French origin. It was formally written Randé. So far as known, the first of the name in this country settled in Charlestown, Mass. Rev. John Rand, the grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was born in that town January 24, 1727; was graduated at Harvard college in 1747, and settled in Lyndeborough, N. H., in 1761, as the first Congregational minister in that place. Soon after, he married Sarah, daughter of Col. John Goffe, of Derryfield (now Manchester), N. H., and in 1765 removed to that town, and seems to have relinquished the work of the ministry. He received the commission of justice of the peace under George the Third, and removed to Bedford, N. H., in 1778, which continued to be his residence until his death in 1805, at the age of 77. He was the father of seven children. The eldest, John and Jonathan, twins, were born at Lyndeborough June 24, 1762. Jonathan married Sarah Abbott, daughter of Dea. Ephraim Abbott, of Amherst, now Mont Vernon, a family long distinguished for its evangelical faith and devoted piety. They had eight children—three sons and five daughters—among them, John, whose life we notice, the fourth child and second son. He was born Jan. 27, 1801, in Bedford, N. H., and spent his boyhood on his father's farm, receiving only such limited education as the country school then afforded, of from eight to twelve weeks during the year. He never enjoyed the advantages of a high school or academy. When about eighteen years of age he left the farm and entered as an apprentice the shop of Mr. Robert Parker, in his native town, to learn the trade of cabinet-making. At that time, in the country, house and sign painting were often united in the same business. Mr. Rand became a workman in both branches, for he was a man who could very readily adapt himself to almost any handicraft. Soon after his majority he went into business for himself. He also introduced some machinery, not common sixty years ago, in the manufacture of furniture. But although he was a good

workman and very industrious, yet he could not manage business. In less than three years he found himself hopelessly in debt. His shop passed into other hands, and he gradually turned to what proved to be the great work of his life—portrait painting. While he was an apprentice, there came into the neighborhood a man by the name of Morse, the same who afterwards became so distinguished as the inventor of the magnetic telegraph. He had studied under West, in Europe. While Morse never excelled as a portrait painter, yet he awakened in Mr. Rand the idea which had before lain dormant,—that of becoming an artist in the department of portrait painting. From this time, every leisure moment and much thought were given to this favorite and chosen pursuit of his life. The writer well recollects having heard Mr. Rand say, “I am willing to give my life to be a painter.”

After remaining a few years in the country, and dividing his time between portrait and ornamental and sign painting, perhaps because the latter was more immediately remunerative, he went to Boston and opened a studio on Cornhill. Having remained there for some years, bending all his energies to the one purpose of his life, he travelled into the Southern states, everywhere prosecuting his work.

Having arrived at a good degree of proficiency in his chosen profession, he sailed for Europe, where, for twelve years, mostly in London, though for a time in Paris, he continued with enthusiasm both the study and the practice of his art, until he had arrived at such a degree of per-

fection that he had few living superiors.

During his residence in Europe, perhaps on the principle that necessity is the mother of invention, his attention was called to the manner in which pigments were preserved. The first we learn of such preparation, the paints when ground in oil were tied up in small parcels of prepared bladder, or something that would exclude the air. Afterwards tinfoil was used in the form of a tube. This was an improvement: still the paints, as soon as opened, would begin to dry, and thus inconvenience and waste were the result. Mr. Rand, feeling the need of a better mode of preserving artists' colors, gave thought to the subject; and the tube fastened with a screw, now in common use on both sides of the Atlantic, was the result. Few artists of our day, as they mix their colors on the palette, are aware to whom they are indebted for this very great convenience. Mr. Rand secured a patent for his invention in England; I think also in France and America. For a time he received quite a royalty for the use of his invention, enough to have made him independent; but, alas! he could not escape the fatality which attends so many men whose inventions have blest the world. At the time when his patent was fast securing the patronage of artists, and he was receiving a fair remuneration for its use, a man from America, with letters of introduction, appeared at his studio in London. He came to introduce and sell a recent invention of his, known as the æolian attachment to the pianoforte. He had sold the patent in America for one hun-



dred and ten thousand dollars. He hoped to meet with similar success in England. Mr. Rand received him most cordially, invited him to his home, and offered any service he could render. The gentleman wished to be introduced to some leading musicians in the city, and Mr. Rand complied with his request. They examined his instrument, and at once pronounced it a failure, saying, "No doubt it is new to you, but it is an old invention. It has been tried in this country, but, owing to the different effects of the atmosphere upon the string and the pipe, the instrument is constantly getting out of tune, and unless this difficulty has been overcome, the invention must prove a failure." The inventor was discouraged, but not inclined to admit the correctness of the statement. He requested a further examination, which was granted, and repeated many times during a period of several weeks. As a result, Mr. Rand said he noticed that while one of the men who at first pronounced the invention a failure adhered most firmly to his opinion, the other gradually yielded, and, after repeated trials, concluded that the atmospheric difficulty had been overcome, and the instrument, therefore, a success. Notwithstanding, however, this hearty endorsement, the man failed to make a sale of his patent. To the great increase of his embarrassment, letters were received, as he affirmed, from America, rendering it indispensable for him to return home at once. In his dilemma he begged Mr. Rand to purchase his patent, offering to take a merely nominal sum as compared with the fabulous amount which at first he de-

manded. Mr. Rand, knowing nothing of music, but trusting to the honesty of his friend, and placing implicit confidence in the distinguished musician, who, after repeated trials, had changed his first doubtful opinion to one of certainty, concluded to make the purchase. This was followed by an attempt to manufacture the instruments, which, as he could make no sale, resulted in involving him in bankruptcy. In settling with his creditors, he was compelled to part with his patent, and, indeed, with all his property. It was but poor consolation to be informed afterwards that the London musician was hired to change his opinion of the instrument, that the inventor fled to America without paying the infamous bribe, and that he lived but a short time to enjoy the fruits of his ill-gotten gain.

After Mr. Rand settled his affairs in England, he returned in the spring of 1848 to this country. He came at once to his native town to visit his parents, then lingering amid the infirmities of more than fourscore years, waiting to depart, and who, within a few weeks, both died within a few days of each other. Mr. Rand then bade what proved to be a final farewell to the scenes of his childhood and youth, and went to the city of New York, where he entered with all the zeal of his earlier years upon the practice of his chosen profession, continuing in its prosecution until increasing years and infirmities compelled him to lay aside the pencil and the palette. He lived some years longer, but they were years of dependence. He had rented a house in the city, and by sub-renting some of

the rooms he was able to preserve a home, and while he could labor, procured a comfortable support. In his last years he was compelled to learn that bitter lesson which so many distinguished artists and inventors had learned before him, that the inheritance of poverty is too often the reward of genius.

Mr. Rand possessed marked peculiarities. As a man he was truly remarkable. He stood nearly or quite six feet and four inches in height, erect and well formed, presenting a physique which would demand attention in a passing crowd. There was a self-poise about him, which, while it was not haughty, was truly dignified and noble.

Although he entered upon life at a period when stimulants were common, and when all classes indulged to some extent, and too many very freely, yet he, alike in youth and manhood, in prosperity and adversity, stood firm as a temperate man. No moral taint ever attached to his character. He might have contracted debts which he was unable to pay, still his intention was truly honest, and his life was virtuous.

The parents of Mr. Rand were devoted Christians, members of the Baptist church. Like Zacharias and Elizabeth of old, they walked in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless. At such an altar of daily prayer John Rand, in his childhood, received his first religious impressions. From these for a brief period his mind swung off into more liberal views; but with the soberness of increasing years, and a more careful study of the Word of God, he returned, not only by conviction but

by a deeper heart experience, to the faith of those who taught his infant lips the prayer, "God be merciful to me a sinner." In this faith he continued through all his wanderings by land and sea, and through all the vicissitudes of his long and eventful life; nor can we doubt that from the Saviour thus revealed his soul drew consolation when turning from the fading scenes of earth to the realities of eternity.

Mr. Rand married Miss Lavinia Brainerd, of Vermont. They first met in Charleston, South Carolina, where she was the principal of a young ladies' school. Although some eight years his senior, they were very congenial, having the same literary tastes, the same views on religious subjects, while neither of them seemed to possess the talent of accumulating property. She was a relative of Rev. David Brainerd, the distinguished missionary to the Indians. Very soon after their marriage they sailed for Europe, and she suffered so severely with sea-sickness and exhaustion that her life was despaired of. Once safely on the other side of the ocean, she felt that she could never return, and they determined to make London their home. For a time they lived in a very quiet way. Always interested to speak on religious subjects, she one day mentioned to a near acquaintance her interest in foreign missions, and spoke of her relative Brainerd. This led to an introduction to themorganatic wife of the Duke of Sussex, the charming woman whom Queen Victoria created Duchess of Inverness. She became very much attached to Mrs. Rand, and persuaded the duke to sit for his portrait to Mr.

Rand. From that time his success was assured, and they were able to afford a very luxurious style of living. When the portrait was finished the duke gave them a dinner, and introduced them to many members of the nobility. Many years after, in the days of their poverty, she would enjoy speaking of this entertainment and its magnificence; but to Mr. Rand it was painful, and he would interrupt her with, "That is past and gone, my dear: don't let us try to bring it back."

If I have been correctly informed, Mr. Rand died in New York city in the year 1873, and was buried in Woodlawn cemetery. His funeral services were conducted in the chapel of Dr. Booth's church, Presbyterian,

Dr. Booth, and Dr. Williams, the late eminent scholar and Baptist divine, officiating. William Cullen Bryant was an intimate, life-long friend, and, with other distinguished poets and artists, followed him to his last resting-place. He left no children, and his widow survived him but a few years.

No costly monument of granite or marble marks the spot where repose the remains of Mr. Rand; but he has left to his friends the memory of a character crowned with integrity, virtue, and religious faith, worthy of all imitation, while both in this country and in Europe remain many enduring monuments of his skill as an artist, and thousands who never knew him are to-day enjoying the fruits of his inventive genius.

#### **"GENIUS IN SUNSHINE AND SHADOW."**

The origin of those whom the world has called great—men who have written their names indelibly upon the pages of history—is often of the humblest character. Such men have most frequently risen from the ranks. Genius ignores all social barriers, and springs forth wherever heaven has dropped the seed. The grandest characters known in art, literature, and the useful inventions have illustrated the axiom that "brave deeds are the ancestors of brave men;" and it would appear that an element of hardship is almost necessary to the effective development of true genius. That these facts are almost incapable of just denial, Mr. Maturin M. Ballou further demonstrates in his deeply interesting book, "Genius in Sunshine and Shadow," which Messrs. Ticknor & Company, of Boston, send to our table. Mr. Ballou has, in his volume of three hundred pages, brought together the most curiously interesting collection of facts bearing out the above state-

ments that it has been our pleasure to read. He has drawn from the pages of history and his own memory illustrious examples of the development of genius, even amid the most uninviting and unfavorable surroundings. Daniel De Foe, Keats, Oliver Cromwell, Hugh Miller, John Bunyan, Benjamin Franklin, Elihu Burritt, Benjamin West, and hundreds of others, are cited as instances to illustrate that genius is independent of circumstances. A galaxy of the names of the world's great men is presented to demonstrate the fact that the humblest may rise to be the greatest. In another chapter, Mr. Ballou effectually dispels, by practical illustrations, the axiom that youth and rashness dwell together. Evidence is given, ample and sufficient, that youth is the period of deeds, when the senses are unworn and the whole man is in vigor of strength and earnestness. Mr. Ballou's book is crowded full of interest from cover to cover.

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## ONE OF GOV. WENTWORTH'S LAST OFFICIAL ACTS.

I send you a copy of an original document which I have sent to the New Hampshire Historical Society. The wording of the document makes it quite a curiosity. The entire document is in the governor's hand-writing, and it is attested by no secretary. It is one of the governor's last official acts. He attempted to exercise no authority in the state after July, 1775. Who this Stephen Peabody was, I have no means of knowing. It was Nathaniel Peabody, of Atkinson, who was the member of the Continental Congress; and Oliver Peabody, of Exeter, who was the state senator for many years. Please search the list of representatives from Amherst in Revolutionary times, and you may find that it was in the capacity of representative that he gave offence to the governor.

JOHN WENTWORTH.

CHICAGO, ILLS.

<i>Province of</i>	}	George the Third
<i>New Hampshire</i>		
		by the grace of
		God of Great Brit-
		ain, France and
SEAL		Ireland King de-
		fender of the faith
		&c To the Sheriff

of our County of Hillsborough in our Province aforesaid, greeting

Whereas We by and with the advice of our trusty and well beloved John Wentworth, Esquire, Our Governor and Commander in Chief in and over our Province aforesaid did nominate and appoint Stephen Peabody of Amherst in our said County of Hillsborough, Gentleman, to be a Coroner within our said County to do all those things which by our

Commission to him given and the Laws in force within our said Province he as a Coroner is authorized to do and perform to which appointment the said Stephen Peabody was afterwards sworn. And whereas it now appears to us not to be consistent with Our Honor and the good of our Subjects of our said County that the said Stephen Peabody should be any longer continued in the said office; We do therefore by and with the advice of our aforesaid John Wentworth, Esq, our Governor and Commander in Chief as aforesaid hereby supersede the said Commission and appointment of the said Stephen Peabody to the office of a Coroner within our said County of Hillsborough and do forbid his acting therein for the future to every intent and purpose and hereby declare any and every such acts to be null and void.

You are therefore hereby required to make known to the said Stephen Peabody this our will and pleasure and make due return hereof and of your doings therein into the Secretary's office of our said Province on or before the thirtieth day of April next.

In Testimony whereof we have caused the seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed, Witness our aforesaid Governor and Commander in Chief the twenty fourth day of March in the fifteenth year of our reign, Annoque Domini 1775.

J WENTWORTH.

HILLSBOROUGH S.S. April 5—1775. Pursuant to this precept to me directed I have made known to the within named Stephen Peabody as I am herein commanded by sending the same to him.

BENJAMIN WHITING,  
Sheriff.

**LOCALITIES IN ANCIENT DOVER.—Part II.**

BY JOHN R. HAM, M.D.

**GOAT ISLAND.** The large island in Pascataqua river, and so called as early as 1652, lying a little to the west of the mouth of Back river, and just below the mouth of Little Bay, near to the Durham shore. It was granted in 1652 to Lieut. William Pomfrett, and he conveyed it as a gift to his grandson William, the son of Deacon John Dame. When the Pascataqua bridge was built, in 1794, from Durham to Newington, the road crossed this island.

**GODDARD'S CREEK.** So called as early as 1660; it was the first creek eastward of Lamprey river, in Durham, and flows into Great Bay. It divided in part the counties of Rockingham and Strafford, until 1870, when the line was set over, and a slice of Strafford county was cut off.

**GREAT BAY (THE).** The body of water formed by the junction of the Squamscot, Lamprey, and Oyster rivers, and which at the Little Bay becomes the Pascataqua river. The settlers called it the Bay of Pascataquack.

**GREAT HILL (THE).** The name which was given as early as 1652, to what in 1659 was called "The Cochecho Great Hill," which from 1700 to 1834 was called Varney's hill, and which since 1834 has, commonly but erroneously, been called Garrison hill. Whitehouse's map of Dover in 1834 calls it Varney's hill.

**GREAT POND (THE).** The name which as early as 1650 was given to the pond, which in 1674 was called Cochecho pond. The latter name is

retained on Dover maps to this day; but it is commonly called Willand's pond.

**GREENLAND.** So called as early as 1696 in land grants, viz., "on the road leading to Greenland." It is the town of that name.

**GULF (THE).** The name given as early as 1656, to a swell in Cochecho river, just below the head of tide water, and which is retained to this day.

**HALF WAY SWAMP (THE).** The swamp, so called as early as 1652, lying south and west of Garrison hill, south of Starbuck's brook, and on the left side of the "Cartway" which leads from the falls of the river to the "Great Cochecho Fresh Marsh," which lay just to the north of Garrison hill. It was *half-way* from the falls to the last named marsh, and the "Cartway" of 1652 is the present Garrison Hill road.

**HARTFORD'S FERRY.** In 1717, Nicholas Hartford opened a ferry between Beck's Slip on Dover Neck and Kittery.

**HAYES'S GARRISON.** In 1812 the garrison of Lieut. Jonathan Hayes, at the junction of the Tole End road and the cross road that runs to the second falls of the Cochecho, and at the foot of Winkley's hill, was pulled down. Lieut. Jonathan Hayes was born Apr. 17, 1732 and died Apr. 15, 1787.

**HAYSTACK (THE).** So called in Jonas Binn's grant in 1654. It was near Branson's creek, on the west side of Oyster river, near the mouth of the river. What was it?

**HEARD'S GARRISON.** Capt. John Heard's garrison, which was successfully defended in the Indian massacre of Cochecho on June 28, 1689, was on the opposite side of the "cartway" leading past the Great Hill. The hill on which it stood is at the foot of the Great Hill, and directly west of the same. The "cartway" is the present Garrison Hill road.

**HEROD'S COVE.** So called in 1664, and was in Great Bay.

**HEROD'S POINT.** A point of land, so called as early as 1650, in Dea. John Dam's grant, extending in Great Bay on its south side.

**HEROD'S WIGWAM.** There was an Indian named Herod who had a wigwam on a point of land of same name, in Great Bay, in 1650. The Dam grant mentions both the point and the wigwam.

**HICKS'S HILL.** See Mahorimet's hill.

**HILTON'S POINT.** The point of land at the extremity of Dover Neck, named from Edward Hilton, where the settlement was made in 1623, and which settlement took the name of Dover in 1639. The Indian name of the point was Wecanacohunt, sometimes called Wecohamet and Winnichahannat. Hilton's patent calls it Wecanacohunt. It is now called Dover Point.

**HOGSTYE COVE.** So called as early as 1652, and it was the west end of the southern boundary of Dover, now of Newington, on Great Bay.

**HOGSTYE POINT.** A point of land in Newington, so called as early as 1656.

**HOOKS.** A remarkable turn in Belloman's Bank river, just below the entrance of the Mallego, and so called as early as 1694. The name was also given to a remarkable turn in Lamper-

eel river, just below Wadleigh's falls; it is in the present town of Lee.

**HOOK MILLS.** There are two hook mills named in the land grants. One was at the hook of the Lampereel river, near Wadleigh's falls, and one near the hook of the Belloman's Bank river. The hook mill on Bellamy river was mentioned as early as 1729.

**HOPE HOOD'S POINT.** A point of land thus named as early as 1694, on the north side of the "Three Creeks," on the western side of Back River. Tradition says Hope Hood, a Sagamore and famous Indian chief, was buried there. Hope Hood (alias Wahowah), with three other Indians, sold land on January 3, 1687, to Peter Coffin, of Dover, and they called themselves in the conveyance the native proprietors. The deed is recorded at Exeter. In the French and Indian massacre at Salmon Falls, on March 18, 1690, Hope Hood had twenty-five Indians under him, and was allied to a party of twenty-seven French under Sieur Hertel. Thirty settlers were killed and fifty-four captured. Hope Hood was killed (says Mather) in 1690, and the same writer speaks of him as "that memorable tygre, Hope Hood." This point with land adjacent was granted to John Tuttle in 1642, and remained in possession of the family till about 1870. Whitehouse's map in 1834 erroneously calls it Hopewood's Point.

**HUCKINS'S GARRISON,** in Oyster River parish, east of the Woodman garrison, was destroyed by the Indians, and twenty-one or twenty-two people massacred, in August, 1689.

**HUCKLEBERRY HILL.** The name given as early as 1658, and which is still retained, to a hill on the Dover



Neck road. It is the long hill which one ascends before reaching the highest elevation on the neck.

**HUCKLEBERRY SWAMP.** It was the Hilton Point swamp, and was laid out in 1652 as the Ox Pasture.

**INDIAN BROOK.** The brook which flows into Cochecho river on the eastern side, and next above the fourth falls of the same. The name was used as early as 1701 (Varney grant), and its origin is unknown. It crosses the "Scatterwit" road, and runs through the farm of Alderman Nathaniel Horne.

**INDIAN CORN GROUND.** A tract of land lying between Tole End and Barbadoes pond, and thus called as early as 1693, from which the settlers had land grants from time to time. Probably used by the Indians for cultivating their corn prior to the settlement.

**INDIAN GRAVES.** A locality on the west end of Beach hill, in the north-east corner of the town of Durham, and so called as early as 1652. In that year Philip Chesley had a grant of land from the town containing seventy-eight acres, "att y<sup>e</sup> Indian Graves," and in 1715 the Lot Layers resurveyed it, and described the bounds as "beginning att the Indian Graves, att Beach Hill, commonly so called."

Another Indian burial-ground, according to a land grant in 1659 to Benjamin Hull, was on the south-west side of Lampereel river, not far west of a mill that stood on the falls, and exactly on the town line between Dover and Exeter, that is, on the town line between the towns of Durham and Newmarket, as it existed till 1870.

**INDIGO HILL.** A hill in Somersworth, about three fourths of a mile below Great Falls, and so called as early as 1693. A road was laid out in 1720 by the town of Dover, "between Quamphegan and Indigo Hill and beyond into the common." This road ran directly over Indigo hill, and is now closed up at that point. The new road between Salmon Falls and Great Falls leaves the hill on the right hand side between the road and the river.

**JOHNSON'S CREEK.** This name was given as early as 1652 to a brook which flows into Oyster river on the eastern side and next above Bunker's creek. Thomas Johnson had a land grant there, and the stream perpetuates his name.

**KNIGHT'S FERRY.** The old ferry between Dover Point and Bloody Point.

**LAMPEREEL RIVER.** So called as early as 1650, when Chris. Lawson and George Barlow had permission from the town of Exeter to set up a saw-mill at Lampereel river, "a little above the wigwams;" but prior to this date, in 1647, it was called Campron river, and Elders Starbuck and Nutter of the Dover church had saw-mills on the first falls, where the cotton mills of Newmarket now stand. The Indian name of the first falls was Pascassick, sometimes written Piscassick, and again Puscassick. One of the western branches is now called the Piscassick. The stream is now called Lamprey river.

**LITTLE JOHN'S CREEK.** Little John was an Indian, and his name was given as early as 1654 to the only brook that crosses the Dover Neck road which requires a bridge. It is below the Wingate farm, and is about

two miles below the city hall. It is a tributary of Back River, on the eastern side, and the tide flows up the brook under the bridge in the highway. Joseph Austin had a mill on it in 1658. Whitehouse's map of 1834 calls it Varney's creek.

**LITTLEWORTH.** The district on the road leading to Barbadoes pond was so called as early as 1724, and is retained till this day. Whitehouse, on his map in 1834, changed the name to Truworth to suit himself. It is needless to say that no other individual ever called it by that name, nor ever will do so.

**LOG HILL.** The steep bank where the Dover & Portsmouth Railroad crosses the old bed of the Cochecho river. It was the terminus of the path leading from the "Logging swamp" of Major Richard Waldron, where the logs were tumbled down the bank into the mill-pond.

**LONG CREEK.** It flows into Great Bay on the north side, and between Durham Point and the mouth of Lamprey river.

**LONG HILL** lies about a mile and a half north-west of Cochecho pond.

**LITTLE BAY.** The contraction of Great Bay at the eastern end, from whence issues the Pascataqua river.

**LONG POINT.** So called as early as 1656. It projects into Great Bay on the south side.

**LUBBERLAND.** A locality in Durham bordering on Great Bay, and so called as early as 1674. The attempt to show that this is bad spelling for Loverland is a failure. The old grants use the name again and again, and always Lubberland.

**MADBURY.** A locality so named as early as 1694, and now incorporated

as the town of Madbury. The origin of the name is unknown.

**MAHORIMET.** An Indian sagamore who lived in the limits of the old town of Dover. Samuel Symonds had a grant of 640 acres of land from the general court of Massachusetts, lying on both sides of the "Upper or Island falls" of Lampereel river, now Wadleigh's falls. This land was taken possession of by Symonds on June 3, 1657, "in the presence and by consent of Mahorimet, the sagamore of those parts." The hill in now Madbury was called after him, "Mahorimet's hill," till about 1725, when Joseph Hicks bought land there, and the title subsequently became "Hicks hill."

**MAHORIMET'S HILL.** This Indian name was perpetuated by the settlers; we find it in constant use from 1660 to 1725. It lies in Madbury, and is now called Hicks's hill, from Joseph Hicks who bought land and resided there from 1720.

**MAHORIMET'S MARSH.** So called as early as 1661, and for many years after. It was adjacent to Mahorimet's hill, and was probably the low ground immediately to the south and west of the same.

**MALLEGO.** The north branch of Bellamy Bank river, and was thus named as early as 1659. It arises from Cate's pond in Barrington, and joins Bellamy Bank river in the town of Madbury.

**MAST PATH (THE GREAT).** There were mast paths in various parts of the town, but the one named above was what is now the road to Littleworth.

**MESERVE'S GARRISON.** Clement Meserve's garrison, now on land

owned by Gerrish P. Drew, is on the west side of the Back River road, and is in a very dilapidated state.

**MOOT, MOOET, OR MOET.** Bad spelling for moat, and so called as early as 1656 from its resemblance to the moat or ditch which surrounded old castles. It was applied to a morass in Oyster River parish on the Great Bay, and served to mark the bounds of certain land grants. "The little brook that cometh out of the mooet" is mentioned.

**MOUNT SORROWFUL.** So called in 1702, when Paul Wentworth had a grant of land there.

**"MUCH-A-DOE."** The road leading from Dover to "Much-a-doe" is mentioned in a conveyance in 1672. Muchado is a hill in Barrington, and the road referred to was, of course, the Tole-End road.

**NARROWS (THE).** The narrow channel in Cochecho river, about one mile below the first falls. See Campin's Rocks.

**NEEDOM'S POINT.** This was so called as early as 1674, and was on Great Bay in Oyster River parish. Nicholas Needham was a member of the Exeter combination in 1638, and the point must have been named for him.

**NEWICHAWANNOCK.** The Indian name of the *falls* where the Berwick ("Great Works") river enters the (now) Newichawannock river. But the settlers applied the name to the *stream* from Quamphagan (Salmon Falls) to Hilton's Point, where it flows into the Pascataqua river; and this is the Newichawannock of to-day. The settlers also called it the "Fore River." See Quamphagan and Fore River.

**NEWTOWN.** So called as early as 1694, and the name is retained to this day. It is in the present town of Lee, about three miles north-west of Hicks's hill.

**NOCK'S MARSH.** The grant of land to Thomas Nock in 1659, lying on the north side of Belloman's Bank river, about one mile above tide water. In 1659 William Hackett had thirty acres of land "between the path that led from Belloman's Bank to Cochecho," on the south, with the freshitt (river) on the west, and the land of Thomas Nock on the north. The spelling has been changed to Knox marsh by those who have forgotten the name of the original settler.

**NORTHAM.** When the Rev. Thomas Larkham, formerly of Northam, England, came in 1640 to the pastorate of the First Church, Dover, the settlers changed the name of the town from Dover to Northam; but when Rev. Mr. Larkham left the town in 1641, the former name of Dover was again adopted.

**OTIS'S GARRISON.** Richard Otis's garrison, which was destroyed on June 28, 1689, in the Indian massacre at Cochecho, stood on the west side of Central avenue on the top of the hill, which is half way from the falls of Cochecho to the "Great Hill." Drake's Book of the Indians and the Otis Genealogy erroneously place the garrison on the east side of (now) Central Avenue. Otis's house in 1655 was on the east side of "the cart-way," now Central Avenue; but the land grant was resurveyed to Richard Waldron after the desolation of Cochecho, and they confirm the tradition that the garrison of Otis in



1689 was on the west side of the "cartway," now Central Avenue.

**OX PASTURE (THE).** It was laid out as such in the Hilton Point swamp in 1652, and was divided among the inhabitants, with other common lands, in 1732.

**OYSTER BED.** The settlers discovered a bed of oysters in the stream, which, from this circumstance, they called Oyster river. It was half way between the mouth of the river and the first falls of the same.

**OYSTER POINT.** On one side of the mouth of Thomas Johnson's creek, on the east side of Oyster river, and was so named as early as 1654.

**OYSTER RIVER.** So called as early as 1640 from the discovery of a bed of oysters half way between the mouth and the first falls of the river. The settlers gave the name to both the stream and the settlement upon it. The parish of Oyster River was included in the limits of Dover till its separate incorporation in 1736 as the town of Durham.

**PACKER'S FALLS.** The fourth falls in the Lampereel river, in Durham, was granted to Thomas Packer in about 1750. The second and third falls also are now included in "Packer's falls."

**PAINE'S GARRISON.** In the Indian massacre at Cochecho, on June 28, 1689, Thomas Paine had a house on the road leading from Cochecho to Salmon Falls, now Portland street, at the intersection of Rogers street. Belknap did not mention it in his account of the massacre. It is doubtful if it was or was not fortified.

**PAQUAMEHOOD.** In 1665, James Paquamehood, an Indian "of Tole

End," sold to James Rawlings "three ponds and three hills, with all enclosed lands and marshes." The deed is recorded at Exeter.

**PASCATAQUA.** (One water parting into three.) The Indian name of the junction of the waters at Hilton's Point. The settlers gave this name to the stream issuing from Little Bay, above Goat island, and which, receiving Back river on the west of Dover Neck, and Newichawannock on the east of Dover Neck, is lost in the sea at Portsmouth. Early historians also gave the name to the settlements upon the stream. The river is now commonly, but erroneously, called Piscataqua.

**PASCATAQUACK.** The early name of the Great Bay.

**PASCASSICK.** The Indian name of the first falls of Lamprey river, at the head of tide water, where the cotton mills of Newmarket now stand, and which name the settlers also gave to the western branch of the river. Sometimes Piscassick, sometimes Puscassick, in the land grants. The western branch of Lamprey river is now commonly called Piscassick.

**PINE HILL.** The hill on which the third meeting-house of First church, Dover, was built before July 16, 1713, and where the dust of the fathers has mouldered for generations, was called Pine Hill as early as 1731.

**PINE POINT.** A locality in Newington, thus named as early as 1664; another Pine Point was on the Newichawannock, in 1693, just below St. Albons cove.

**PINKHAM'S GARRISON.** It was on Dover Neck, about half a mile below the second meeting-house lot, and was taken down in about 1825.

**A JAIL ADVENTURE.—Part II.**

BY WILLIAM O. CLOUGH.

"You should have seen the mingled expression of surprise and contempt which stole over his countenance; and then, to appreciate my embarrassment, you should have heard him say,—

" 'Young fellow, that is an old and very gauzy device, and if you don't disperse yourself in double quick time, I'll see to it that you have safe quarters at the station-house.'

"You may set it down as a certainty that I 'dispersed myself' without any more ado, and I kept dispersed until the hour arrived for the party to move on to the next city."

McVeigh's countenance now took on more of earnestness, and his voice became hard and belligerent.

"My troubles," he continued, "as it turned out, had but just begun. In a confident and joyous manner I went on board the special train that was to take the party on its journey. When in the act of making some inquiries of a palace car conductor, a colored gentleman, a hand was placed rudely and heavily upon my shoulder, and I was felled into a corner with unnecessary violence. The policeman who 'dispersed' me had me by the coat collar."

McVeigh paused. An irrepressible emotion of indignation momentarily overpowered him. He nervously changed the position of his body, and when he spoke his voice was harsh and belligerent.

"He shook me for all the world as a terrier shakes a rat!" he exclaimed, indignantly. "He then ignomini-

ously ejected me from the car, and when I gathered myself up and offered to show him my credentials, he laughed in my face and said he had good and sufficient reasons for believing them to be bogus. I attempted to reason with him. He would not listen; he simply said, in a gruff voice, 'Young man, I've got about out of patience with you! You look to me like a crank. Yes, sir, and if I were not under positive orders to go with this train for the protection of the party from just such unprincipled intruders, I would run you in for investigation.'

"You may set it down as a certainty that I was greatly embarrassed, and that I hesitated concerning the next move, and whether or no it was prudent to continue the evidently unequal contest.

"In my dilemma I appealed to the conductor of the train. He proved to be an unusually important and obliging public servant. In fact, my pathetic story had no more effect upon him than it would have had upon the Old Man of the Mountain. He was travelling on a reverse curve, and he curved opposite to my humble person with great dignity.

" 'I cannot do anything for you, my friend!' he said, giving me a withering and scornful glance. 'If you are particular about continuing your journey to-day, the proper thing for you to do will be to purchase a ticket and secure a passage on the accommodation train, which follows us in thirty minutes.'

"I explained, begged, scolded, and swore, but all to no purpose. His heart was like flint, and his decision irrevocable.

" 'Clear out, or I'll hand you over to a policeman!' he exclaimed in a pompous manner.

"I was in mortal fear of a policeman, and so I cleared out with remarkable alacrity.

"The next and last individual with whom I sought an interview—the baggage-master—informed me, in words more emphatic than polite, that there was a representative of my newspaper in the refreshment car, and therefore he was satisfied that I was a cheap fraud.

"While I was debating the question with him the train moved out of the station.

"Gentlemen, hearing no objection, I will now omit an elaboration of my experience in the next hour. I will simply say that I was very despondent; that the accommodation train was behind time; that it was slow; that when I arrived in the next city my mental condition rapidly improved, and I imagined myself in a place where the prerogatives of the profession are respected.

"Ah! but I was doomed again to dire and dreadful disappointment, as the sequel will show. Even to this day I cannot reflect with composure upon the events which followed.

"With your permission, however, I will condense my harrowing tale at this point, and simply say that I made my way to the main street, and when pushing nervously through the crowd a heavy hand was again laid upon my shoulder, and—— well, that same policeman snatched me with peremp-

tory suddenness that nearly stopped my breath.

"I expostulated, I resisted, I struck right and left with all my might, I kicked. I declared that I was pursuing a legitimate calling; that his interference was unwarrantable; that I would take the law on him; that unless he immediately and unconditionally released me he would get into trouble that would cost him his commission.

"My mad antics and loud declamation did not have the slightest effect upon him. He did not appear in the least frightened, neither did he turn pale or loosen his grip on my collar.

"This little episode, however, caused a great sensation and a commotion in the crowd. The procession halted. Everybody within hearing of the tumult rushed upon us, and became interested spectators. Some of the men attempted the role of peacemakers; others talked fight, and threatened vengeance on the policeman; children, who were trampled under foot, shrieked with terror, and women fainted; while a dandified fellow, who had the appearance of a dancing master, queried, 'What's he been doing?' and a plug-ugly (if I am any judge of mortal man) shouted savagely, 'Let him go!'

"The policeman was equal to the emergency. He drew his revolver, and ordered the mob to stand back. The effect was like magic: everybody stood back. Meanwhile I continued to show fight, and called on the people to rescue me: he clubbed me. I hung back: he dragged me. Yes, I blush to own it, that policeman actually dragged me to the city jail.

"At the guard-room my pockets



were searched for evidence that I was a dangerous man in the community, and I was catechised concerning my birth, parentage, occupation, and age; to all of which the answers were truthful, but were not believed. I was told that my conduct was suspicious; that I had been faithfully shadowed, and, painful as the duty might be, it was necessary to lock me up.

"Well, I made an earnest and eloquent appeal to the chief. He listened patiently. I declared over and over again that I was a newspaper man, and had an important and imperative duty to perform; that to doubt me was little less than a crime; that to commit me was to disappoint the journal upon which I was employed, and perhaps ruin my prospects in life.

"That is what they all say,' he coolly replied. He promised, however, to give my case his consideration as soon as the rush of business was over.

"I was then hurried below, my name, age, and occupation recorded in a book kept for that purpose, and compelled to accept quarters in a dismal cell.

"Merciful Providence! It was the worst place, as it then appeared to me, that I had ever beheld. And such companions! The vilest that ever breathed the damps of a dungeon.

"The key was turned in the lock, and my captor hurriedly departed.

"I was dazed and frightened. I was weak and confused, and therefore it was several minutes before I fully realized what had happened to me. I remember, though, the mocking sociability of those who occupied the

cells on my right and left and in the opposite corridor. Modesty was no part of their education. They spoke in the vernacular of the street, and with the familiarity of old friends and acquaintances.

"'You've got the finest parlor f' what's in the hotel, Johnny,' chuckled a small boy, who climbed about on the bars of his cell door with all the agility and evident enjoyment of a caged monkey at a menagerie.

"'And the villain still pursued him,' remarked a seedy, middle-aged man, in a husky, stentorian voice; while a third person—an old man, who was evidently behind the bars because of light-fingered proclivities,—said, in the glibbest manner possible, 'My son, it grieves me to the heart to meet you in marble halls. You are young, and probably think yourself innocent of the crime for which you are apprehended. It won't do! Up you go! In brief, it is my duty to inform you that the court—having considered the offence to which, by the advice of able counsel, you have pleaded *nolo contendere*—orders that you be confined at hard labor in the penitentiary for a period of five years; that you pay the cost of prosecution, and stand committed till sentence be performed.'

"'And may God have mercy on your soul!' bawled an idiotic youth; whereupon the happy family sent up a peel of laughter that made the old dungeon echo.

"Oh, but it was a wicked place!

"There were nearly a dozen of these hilarious captives, and every one favored me with remarks or suggestions.

"A wreck in a cell at my right ad-

vised me to promise to sign the pledge, and 'go on probation;' another suggested that it was proper to 'squeal on the seller,' and thus go free; while still another,—a sort of patriarch in law-breaking, and a person whose greatest weakness was an inordinate affection for the flowing bowl,—observed that the court had soured on most suffering and deserving humanity, and therefore I might consider myself lucky if I got off with six months at the famous watering (hic) place known in the county as the Mountain House.

"The most crushing blow, however, came from a miserable woman on the other side of the corridor. 'Why, yes it is!' she exclaimed, hysterically. 'It is my long lost brother! And to think, Dennis, that you should come to this! Alas, for the good advice which I have given you! All wasted!'

"Her speech was hailed with every mark of approbation; in fact, the whole motley crew bellowed like fiends infernal.

"There was a pause in the proceedings, and I had begun to congratulate myself on the end of their unseemly conduct, when a human dwarf,—clean shaved, and evidently a person who had spent a good share of his days behind prison bars,—insisted on being informed, 'privately an' 'pon honor,' whether or no there was a woman in the scrape. He had, so he said, ironically, been gathering statistics for a number of years, and was now prepared to demonstrate to a nicety, before any unprejudiced tribunal, that the statement going the rounds of the press that the dear sex are mixed up in most of man's crimes

is prejudicially and unqualifiedly false. 'Rum, my dear brother in misfortune, is what does the business for us!'

"The wretched and disorderly specimens of humanity in the other cages were divided on this point. Some said 'That's so,' but the greater number groaned, and declared that the speaker was 'too-too for his business;' while the moment the hilarity ceased a moderate spoken individual of fifty, who pretended to deprecate the levity of the gentlemen, who, 'for reasons best known to the polite and efficient gentlemen of the police department of our growing and enterprising city,' were cruelly, and with malice aforethought, denied the privilege of American citizens to witness the procession, insisted that he recognized in me a member of congress, a wise statesman, and sympathizing friend of the deserving poor and needy. 'Fellow-citizens, who, like myself, have come to this extremity because of the men who broke the banks, and who are still at large, we must dissemble. This gentleman in number ten was committed at his own request. He has taken this method of ascertaining facts and information that, when fully evolved and established, will undoubtedly result in needed reforms in the management of city, county, and state boarding-houses, and thereby ameliorate in a large degree the suffering of the members of a worthy class of well meaning but shockingly misguided fraternity known among men of letters, and those bummers of the daily newspapers, as law-breakers. My dear sir, accept our apology for the rude reception you have received among us.'

"He called for three cheers. They were given with a will, and ornamented with several tigers; and then the turnkey of that dungeon came among us, and raved, scolded, and swore, and declared that unless the racket ceased he would gag the whole bilin'.

"It was such a party, gentlemen, as I hope I may never be compelled to meet again under like circumstances.

"In my feverish anxiety and mortification I imagined that all the fiends of the infernal region surrounded me. I was fast losing control of my nerves and becoming strangely bewildered; and yet I had sufficient presence of mind to attempt to calm myself, and argue that my incarceration was the result of a mistake. The poisonous atmosphere of the place had something to do, I think, with my despondency.

"Meanwhile my tormentors continued their disjointed observations, and that terribly depraved woman her moaning about her poor, unfortunate brother Dennis, and the prisoner with the stentorian voice kept up his random and oratorical debate on reform, or something of that sort. 'I have him at last!' he shouted in a voice of thunder. 'He's a government detective, who has come among us high-toned and labor-hating aristocracy for the purpose of discovering, if he can, who beats the great, glorious, and high-minded American institution in the important matter of the taxes on the necessities of life—whiskey, beer, and tobacco.'

"This statement was hailed with shouts of 'Good, good!' several rounds of applause, mocking laugh-

ter, rattling of cell doors, and other signs of approval.

"Presently the whole crew desired to be interviewed, and the wickedest man in the prison assured me that he would tell all the secrets of the city, under oath, and as much more as I would pay a reasonable price for.

"That I was a very unhappy young man, and desperate withal, I have never to this day doubted, and that I importuned and attempted to bribe every officer who came within the sound of my voice it would be useless to deny. Moreover, I shall never be unmindful that 'kicking against the pricks' is a useless exercise; that it is the part of wisdom for a man who is compelled by untoward circumstances to remain in custody as a prisoner to make the best of the situation, and spend the time in congratulating himself that he is in luck that so little is known about him.

"But what was I in for?

"'Pickpocket' was the significant word written against my name on the book of entry. 'Pickpocket!' I saw the officer write it.

"Pickpocket! The thought of it caused me to tremble, and the perspiration to start from every pore in my body. I paused in serious meditation. The full force of the complaint dawned upon me. My strength began to fail. I was wild with impatience.

"Pickpocket! I repeated over and over again, the while standing by the iron door of the cell listening to the discordant jargon of my fellow-prisoners, and inhaling poisonous odors that made me faint and sick.

"Pickpocket! I had written the word a hundred times, but it never



had a significant meaning until now. In my loneliness and despair I sat down upon the side of my bunk, and, half believing that a history of my strange experience in jail would make a sensation article for the newspaper, took my note-book from my pocket and endeavored to analyze my symptoms, and to make a pen picture of my companions and surroundings. I could not accomplish anything. Concentration of thought was a lost art with me, and I doubt if I could have correctly spelled and written my name. 'Pickpocket' was the one word in my vocabulary. I paced the floor in anxiety and misery. The more I exercised, the more impatient and desperate I became. I was in the darkness, despondency, and gloom of the inquisition. Strange fancies and hallucinations oppressed me, and dark forebodings of evil consequences possessed my mind. I felt—for I fully realized my condition—that I was nearing the critical point where reason and judgment are dethroned.

"I was a stranger, and they took me in. What if they should insist on keeping me? What if some respectable and reliable citizen should appear as my accuser, and swear with convincing positiveness that at the moment the policeman's hand was placed upon my shoulder he felt my hand in his pocket, and was all the more certain of the facts because of the seal ring upon my finger, which he was positive tore a hole corresponding in size in the lining of his coat!

"You will observe, gentlemen, that it was a conviction with me that prosecuting officers figure the evidence against a suspected person to a pretty

fine point, and are not disposed to give them the benefit of many doubts.

"But I had become shockingly unbalanced. The crime of which I was suspected, and for which I was committed, increased in magnitude as I contemplated it, and was made more appalling by the thought that possibly for some years my companions were to be the class of adventurers whose hideous noises and jeering speeches were ringing in my ears. Strange to say, my imagination conjured up all the evils that could possibly befall the worst criminal in the land. And, moreover, what if the overzealous witnesses for the government should identify the ten-dollar note which the officer had taken from my pocket for safe keeping! What if I should be recognized as an old offender; as a criminal who had 'done time' in the penitentiary of some other state; as an outlaw on whose head a price was set! More, what if my conduct in attempting to bribe my jailer should be construed as corroborative evidence of my guilt!

"Fear, fear in the worst possible form, was upon me. I lost all control of my reasoning faculties and my judgment. The perspiration oozed from every pore in my body, and my nerves fluttered like a leaf in the wind. The future looked dark; there was no oasis in it. Hardships, and possibly loss of reason, seemed among the certainties of the future. The light and joy had faded out of my life.

"In my distress and despondency I could not recall that I had a friend in all the wide world who would be likely to assist me in the hour of my great affliction and necessity. I felt

that I was poor, in misfortune, and forsaken. Ruin stared me in the face; my character was forever blackened; thenceforth I was branded a felon; there was stain upon my garments; all my old associates would believe the worst of me; I should lose my place, and no reputable journal would give me employment.

"This, my friends, is no picture of the fancy, no overdrawn sketch from the imagination. It is a truthful report of an actual occurrence.

"An hour passed wearily. The light became dim, the place more sombre and gloomy, and the outlook for the night more appalling. What should I do? What could I do? To whom could I apply for relief? How would my employers construe my absence from duty, my silence? What would become of my wife and child? What would my mother-in-law say? The last thought overpowered, staggered me, and I reeled against my dungeon wall like a victim of intemperance.

"Was I childish? I will not pretend to say I was not. I will only add, in passing, that all temperaments are not alike,—and then continue my narrative by saying that I fell upon my face in the bunk of that horrible place and wept like a child who had broken its favorite toy, or a frail woman who moans some sudden and overwhelming bereavement and will not be comforted.

"Gentlemen, in that awful hour of delirium and suspense my mind chased many foolish phantoms, and my overtasked imagination builded many barriers between my future and the bright sunshine that never seemed so glorious and beautiful as when its warm rays were denied me.

"And so I struggled with doubts and fears, with fluctuating hopes and grave apprehensions, with dread and uncertainty, till my reason was temporarily dethroned, and I became a wild and raving maniac. I threw my coat and the contents of my pockets upon the floor and trampled upon them; I beat my new silk hat into a shapeless mass; I dishevelled my hair; I ruined my patent leather boots by kicking against my cell door; I broke the stool which the jailor had kindly loaned me into kindling wood; I destroyed the clothing of my bunk and raved like a hungry tiger in a cage. My strength was something wonderful, my passion ungovernable. My chaffing companions in durance vile were for the nonce silent and respectful.

"My friends, as I pause and look back upon that scene, and consider my experience, I discover that there were some very strange and perplexing sensations, sensations that I shall never be able fully to fathom or clearly define. It appeared to me that I had two minds independent of each other, and two individualities. By the more demonstrative mind I was wrought up to the highest pitch of nervous excitement. My eyes, I verily believe, were glassy; my head was burning with fever; I was thirsty; great drops of perspiration rolled from my forehead and fell upon the floor; my tongue was swollen; my blood was on fire. I was desperate. My one overpowering desire was my liberty. Underneath all this was an undefinable sense of feeling that now appears to me like my normal condition of mind. I could reason to a certain point, but the mental strain

strain on the other key was so much greater that the conclusion was not clear. I could see and in some degree understand what I was about, and yet there was an idea that there was a somebody else in all that was transpiring, for whom I entertained emotions of pity, but over whose movements and reckless deportment I had no control. Sometimes the thought would be clear that it was myself, and then there would be a feeling of shame that my wits were not strong enough to subdue my body and control my tongue. On the other hand, running counter and distinct, as I have already stated, was unreasoning madness.

"A little later I became exhausted, lay down and immediately fell asleep. It was a troubled sleep, for I looked into the prison 'at the other end of the valley,' and lived the secluded and burdensome life of a convict. I was fatigued from labor and suffered for companionship. I longed with an aching heart for the cheer and smiles of the friends of other days, and the society of the young men and young women whom I had known and loved in the days of my freedom. I sighed for the free air of heaven; I yearned for an hour among editors and printers; I envied the office devil; and I wondered if any one of them would acknowledge that he ever knew me. More particularly did I grieve because of the disgrace my downfall would bring upon the woman I had sworn to honor and cherish, the child born to us, and also upon my aged parents.

"While in this condition of body and mind I fancied that I could welcome death, for I somehow realized that it would end my suffering. Look

which way I might, take the most favorable view of the situation I could master, there was no dawn that foreshadowed a bright future. I lay in that bunk a broken-hearted man, a wreck, a human being who thought himself dead to this world, and who, in his disordered mind, was passing away from its trials, perplexities, and disappointments.

"A little later and these ugly imaginings passed away, and great happiness came to me. I laughed at the sufferings and remorse of the hours I had spent in the dungeon's gloom. They were but the flimsy fabric of a dyspeptic dream, release from which caused a buoyancy of spirit in which bright prospects were in the ascendancy, and hope everywhere renewed. I saw myself surrounded by my old friends; there was warmth in their greeting, and joy in every word that was spoken. I beheld the beautiful world, more beautiful now than it ever appeared to me before. I was assured of success as a journalist, and my future seemed secure. Added to this was the new happiness which I beheld in my wife, and a knowledge that my report of the affair which I had been assigned to write up had reached my journal on time. In the midst of all, the managing editor had said my work was intelligently and satisfactorily performed, which to a man of my desponding mood was sufficient ground for more of happiness than I could well express. I dreamed a good deal more; and when I awoke and realized that it was only a dream after all, I was more miserable, if that were possible, than I had been before, and had less control over my mind in directing it to a successful resistance to gloomy forebodings.



“In a word, I lost my courage. The old fear came upon me with added force. Prison walls and cell bars, hard task-masters and scanty food, stared me in the face and thrilled me with terror, such terror as I had never before experienced, and which I pray I may never again experience. Faintness, weakness, and nauseating sickness followed. I moaned and cried piteously. Presently I was a raving maniac, and, although conscious that I was making a fool of myself, passed through the trials that beset me before my dream. It was terrible, I assure you. After a while I became active again; and shortly after, a voice at my cell door aroused me and partially restored my mental equilibrium. I staggered to the now open cell door. I shall never forget my feelings or the look of pity which the officer gave me, as I inquired what was wanted.

“‘You are wanted at the chief’s office,’ replied the man in blue and bright buttons emphatically, his voice and manner robbing me of the last ray of hope to which, like a drowning man who seizes upon a straw, I had tenaciously clung.

“I followed him mechanically, with trembling body and feeble step, with such dread of consequences as I have since imagined must possess the mind of a condemned man when ascending the scaffold from which he is to be launched into eternity. How I managed to pilot myself through several dark passage-ways and up a flight of winding stairs I shall never be able to make clear to myself. It must be, I think, that the officer assisted me, for somehow I have an indistinct recollection that his hand was upon my arm.

“The chief—I have forgotten his name—was a man of wide experience and wise discrimination. He had not been long enough in the business to be calloused. In a word, he took me in at a glance, and somehow reassured me that all would come out right. I began to see silver linings in the dark clouds. Said he,—

“‘Young man, you are under arrest on a very serious charge, which, if proven against you, is at the minimum five years in prison. I will say to you, however, that from the best information I can obtain, and after a searching examination of the gentleman who claimed to have been robbed, but who was not, I have come to the conclusion that you should be discharged from custody at once, and my personal assurance given that the officer making the arrest exceeded his duty. He should have used his judgment rather than have acted upon the request of an excited complainant. I regret exceedingly the annoyance to which you have been subjected, and sincerely hope the circumstance will not work to your disadvantage among your companions, or cause you trouble with your employers. You may go.’

“It was exceedingly cold comfort, but I took it without murmur or argument, and suddenly, yes, hurriedly, put that city jail behind my back. I suppose I ought to have thanked him, but I did not. At least I have no memory to that effect. The truth is, my anxiety to get into the sunlight, to regain my freedom, to demonstrate to my satisfaction that I was not insane or dreaming, was such that I had no thought of anything else, and was therefore completely off my guard in the matter of the manners, which

are a part of the stock in trade of a well regulated journalist, and which he is expected to exhibit at all times and under all circumstances to all people."

There was an ominous pause and profound silence, in which it was somehow made as clear as sunshine that Mr. Bragg desired to speak the tag or control the story-teller. He evidently knew the end from the beginning, and feared that some one was likely to be in some way exposed or compromised.

McVeigh quickly comprehended the situation, and in a side speech, which we did not understand, gave some sort of assurance which overcame the brother's modesty, and caused him to withdraw threatened interruption.

"When I reached the next city," continued McVeigh, "I met Brother Bragg, and this is what came of it:

" 'What became of you?' he inquired.

"Of course I acknowledged that I had been in durance vile, incarcerated in a city jail on the serious charge of larceny from the person.

" 'I heard so,' he replied, 'but did not have the time to search you out. I should have returned, however, after doing this place. if you had not put in an appearance. But you are all right below. It was a pretty hard job, considering the magnitude of the event, to double and duplicate despatches successfully, but I succeeded. Your report went in on time, and in your own name, and here is the evening edition of your paper, which proves it.'

"You may be sure a heavy load was lifted from my mind, and guess

that I thanked him and gave assurance of my gratitude and my happiness."

"What happened a year or so later?" inquired Mr. Bragg.

"What happened? Why, I met that same chief of police at the Parker House, in Boston. He recognized me. We engaged in a chat like two old school-day cronies that had not seen each other in many years. Just as we were on the point of separation, he looked me squarely in the face, and in a frank and manly way said,—

" 'I ought to tell you something that you would like to know, and which you have probably never mistrusted, about your incarceration in the jail in the city which I have the honor to represent.'

"I assured him, of course, that I would like very much to hear it.

" 'A short time following that unhappy experience in your life,' he continued, 'I learned upon the most positive evidence that a jealous journalist from a neighboring city "put up the job" on you. In other words, he cheated an ambitious and over-zealous policeman by making him believe that he knew you as a celebrated New York thief who had done service, and for whose apprehension a reward was offered. It was a trick to get you out of the way, so that he could secure exclusive reports of the events which were happening.'

"We laughed heartily; we have been good friends ever since, and I can get the best accommodations in the matter of news of any outside man who visits that chief's borough.

"Gentlemen, you have the full particulars of 'A Jail Adventure.'"

## EARLY MANNERS AND CUSTOMS.

BY MARY R. P. HATCH.

Fiction is sometimes truer than history or biography,—paradoxical as it may seem; for in dealing with feelings and motives, one can reason from the inner consciousness, and, by a natural sequence of ideas, arrive at truer understanding than by the rendering of facts as they appear in incident and event.

Thus, in a work of the kind we have in hand, it is lawful, I think, to allow the imagination to roam over the fertile fields of the past, and gather here and there posies of thought ungarnished by the strict historian. Many times have I gazed beyond the beautiful, mosaic meadows at the gleaming surface of our winding Connecticut, or stood upon its banks, and fancied myself back to the time when the primeval forest with its undergrowth of bushes lay close to its banks, and rendered our now beautiful valley well-nigh impassable, except to the trained hunter or the Indian. And I can see now in imagination the dusky savages silently assembling from behind the trees, stepping into their bark canoes, and floating down the river with hunting or warlike intentions. Again, I see the adventurous white man entering the wilderness after his toilsome march of a hundred and fifty miles, blazing his way by cutting notches in the trees—alert, and daring to thus brave the Indian and the wild beasts in their forest home. He has passed. Will he return in safety, or fall a victim to his dauntless courage? Who

can tell? but we know that the blood of the pioneer has baptized every land where gleams now the light of happy homes.

Anon the foot-path in our forest has become a bridle-path, for seven families have wrested from the wilderness their log huts. The sound of the axe is heard on the clear air; the wild beasts recede somewhat, coming now at nightfall to howl around their dwellings, or to gaze through the windows at the family seated about the blazing fire; while the Indian, with growing hatred, passes by, or scowls at the peaceful sight from behind the bushes.

Ah! and here comes a horseman. As his horse's feet fall with soft thud upon the yielding earth, he is saying to himself, perhaps (who knows?), as did Tennyson's Northern Farmer:

"Do's n't thou 'ear my 'orse's legs as they canters awaäy?"

Property, property, property, that's what I 'ears 'em saäy."

But we love to think it was something besides property that induced our forefathers to settle in the wilderness. High courage and dauntless will were theirs first of all, and these traits, united to the smiling valley they have left us, make a priceless heritage indeed.

The pioneer has invariably been possessed of unusual character; for it requires not only great hope, force, and courage, but discrimination and endurance, to successfully map out and plant a colony: so when it is said

of a man that he was one of the first settlers, respect should immediately embalm his memory.

Our forefathers were always, likewise, men of great individuality. In cities there is to be found the finest symmetry of character, but strong individuality is far more rare, owing to the constant friction of mind upon mind, which is apt to wear away the strong points of individual character, and to make too many of the same pattern. The man remarkable for action is seldom a growth of the city, but an influx from the country. How often do the newspapers give the names of prominent men who came from the plow or the anvil to head the lists of the city in honor and wealth. Genius can thrive only when certain faculties are allowed to subjugate other ones to their needs, and this cannot go on so well in cities where all ideas must more impartially come to the front. But genius is a kindly tyrant when upheld by the twin sisters Industry and Perseverance, and the natural growth of the sturdy first settler whose individuality grew strong and rank in his forest home. Shut out as he was from intercourse with the outside world, it often bristled into points, however, and anecdotes of our ancestors prove the truth of this assertion.

Deeds of courage, feats of strength, and tales of hunting valor show these old worthies to have been worthies indeed, but men who would have pined and sickened in our day of easy action. Prominent in every settlement was the church, and around this as the nucleus grew up those interchanges of civilities which finally were merged into merrymaking or frolics.

"All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy—and Jill, a dull girl," perhaps reasoned the elders. Anyway, they accepted the idea of first work and then play, and so was instituted the husking frolic, the apple-bee, the quilting, and, at last, amusement without its modicum of work—the junket. Let us again call fancy to our aid, and go to the house of some local magnate where there is to be a husking frolic and junket. Perhaps it is a husking-bee. Let us say that the log hut has given place to the large, square structure with many-paned windows, its keeping-room and long kitchen, and its immense chimney breaking out into every room with the broad, kindly smile of an open fire-place. In the long kitchen the hearth-stone, of more than a ton's weight, and eight feet long, stretches before the fire-place—watchful, restful, and cheering. An immense backlog, as thick as a man's body, forms the foundation of the big, roaring fire, and around the leaping flames cluster privileged guests, while the small aspirant for future honors sits in the corner of the fire-place studying his horn book, or watching the stars that gleam so kindly above his head.

The brick oven has been thrice heated to bake pumpkin pies and ginger-bread for the "spread," and the squire's wife is happily conscious of the good things in the pantry as she sits placidly knitting. On this night of the frolic the long kitchen has been cleared, the settle and chairs are placed primly against the wall, while a stool for the fiddler sets on the table at the further end. The crooked necked squashes still hang by the fire-place; long strings of



dried apple are festooned overhead; while groups of wooden candle-sticks are nailed to the rafters. A huge pile of corn extends the length of the kitchen; and now the company begin to arrive, on foot and on horseback. the young man sitting in front, his girl behind him on a pillion. High tones and merriment usher in each party, and jokes, making up in laughter what they lack in wit, fly about the room. Homespun, that one year covers the sheep, and the next, its owner, sets well if not easily on the young man. His shirt collar, of home-made linen, is uncomfortably high and stiff, as the red, tortured ears plainly show (but what will one not undergo to be well dressed!); a buff vest gleams in front, while a swallow-tailed coat, from the pocket of which dangles a colored handkerchief, adorns the wearer; small-clothes and buckled shoes complete the costume,—unless I speak of the hair, which is combed straight back to end in a queue behind. Stout, honest, and merry, the delicate beau of to-day cannot compare with these “sparks” of a bygone generation. And the girls,—white-necked, rosy-cheeked, bright-eyed, and jolly, in their short-waisted, scant-skirted, big-sleeved, linsey-woolsey gowns, with stout shoes, hair braided high and with ornaments of gold beads or a silver comb! What noble-hearted matrons they made, and how we honor these great-grandmothers of ours! But they are not taking a peep into futurity, nor at us, their unworthy descendants, but are sitting in couples around the heaped-up corn, singing old ditties, cracking jokes, sipping home-made cider, and whispering love,—for the “old, old

story” was just as old then as now. At huskings the blind god is imprisoned in the ear of red corn, the first finder being entitled thereby to kiss whoever he chooses.

But the yellow corn lays bare of husks now, and many hands make light work of clearing the long kitchen for the dance. Black Pelham mounts the stool on the table, tunes his fiddle and rosins his bow, while the couples range themselves in long lines down the kitchen: and then the dance begins. Agility and speed took the place of grace in those days, and the lightest dancer was reckoned the best,—he who could spring straight upward over a foot, keeping time to the music, being a fine one indeed. It once happened that a young man sprang so high that he got entangled in the strings of dried apple, and brought several yards of it on to the floor.

The husking ends early, and the young people go home none the worse for their frolic.

The quilting was an afternoon festival for the matrons and maidens, ending by the men’s coming to shake the quilt, to eat supper with them, and, sometimes, to dance awhile afterwards. The quilt was pieced of home-made flannel, dyed with indigo, mulberry, or madder, and stuffed with wool. The writer of this chapter has an old quilt of this description, which has been handed down through several generations.

The apple-bee was another sober festival; but the junket was without work, and a more ambitious one, occasionally taking place at the “tavern stand.”

Training-day was a piece of mili-

tary display without doubt very pleasant to the survivors of the Revolution, while the general muster was a grand review that called out all the martial spirit of the day. Many old people now living describe with great interest the appearance of the troops and officers, and relate anecdotes concerning them.

But I linger too long on the border land of to-day. Let us go back beyond the century. I find myself in the church, or the meeting-house, with its boxed-up pews, and the women ranged soberly on one side, the men on the other. The deacons' pews and the squires', with other local magnates, are at the front; and, in some places, the galleries are for inferior people, while little niches high up hold the colored worshippers. Plainly our forefathers did not believe in equality upon earth, however it might be in heaven. But the minister ranked highest of all in the social scale, a liberal education giving him a prominence borne out by his calling. His wife often bore the title of Lady, and the congregation arose when she entered the church and stood until she was seated. The tithing-man with his rod stood watchful and ready to quell the youngsters' unseemly mirth, and to awaken the brethren when they slumbered under the lengthy sermon. The sounding-board was fastened just above the minister's head to throw the sounds downward, and which, but for this, it was thought, might fail to reach the congregation. The prayer was fervent and exhaustive, ending always with a petition for King George and parliament. Then the hymn was lined by the minister and sung by the congregation. This was the dark

age in music, and I have seen it stated that a hymn begun in one tune was only too apt to end in another quite different, as every one sung as he listed, and the loudest singer came out triumphant, dragging his tune to the front.

The women carried in their hands a kerchief and prayer-book, with a sprig of fennel or caraway to nibble, as they were popularly supposed to possess a keep-awake quality, not always borne by the sermon. But two hours in length! Think of it, you who cavil at the half-hour sermon of your pastor, who strives hard to put the thoughts of a week into a nutshell for the benefit of the hurried worshippers. Tennyson's Northern Farmer, stupid, sottish, and conceited, says,—

"An' I hallus comed to schoorch afoor my Sally  
 wor dead,  
 An' 'eerd 'em a bummin' awaïy loike a buzzard-  
 clock ower my yeïd;  
 An' I niver knawed what a meän'd, but I thowt a  
 'ad summut to saïy,  
 An' I thowt a said what a owt to a said, an' I  
 comed awaïy "

But our northern farmer was different. Critical, conscientious, God-fearing, he came to hear the Word, with a spice of dissent, and a daring mind that was ever ready to argue upon baptism, regeneration, and foreordination with the minister, who was himself often a man of character.

Parson Moody, who was settled over the first church in New Hampshire, had a faith as great as that of the early martyrs, but bright, hopeful, and humane. Tradition tells us that he took a pair of shoes from his wife's feet to give to a worthy but unfortunate person, and then knelt down and prayed fervently for another pair to replace them. His faith was requited, for a pair of shoes soon arrived.

THE OLD NORTH CHURCH OF CONCORD.

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Upon this spot, where church and chapel stand,  
But eight score years ago was wild-wood land.  
Here tangled forests echoed to the tread  
Of dusky warriors and their war-whoop dread.  
Where now yon shapely spire points to the sky,  
Were lofty pines with summits full as high,  
Beneath whose branches, in the grateful shade,  
Have wandered Indian brave and Indian maid.  
Here in their wigwams by the river side  
Have countless generations lived and died ;  
Here were their pleasures few, their many woes ;  
Here were their feasts, their battles with their foes.  
Here, when their lords to hunt or fish had gone,  
The squaws would cultivate their patch of corn.  
Here lived the mighty chieftain of their race,  
In war so valiant, cunning in the chase.  
Now all have disappeared and left no trace  
Save in the names which dignify the place.  
Contoocook, Merrimack, and Soucook, too,  
And Penacook, are names they left to you.  
For them no cemetery was laid out,  
Their dust o'er hill and vale is spread about.

Were they unhappy? Let us view the case :  
They had the pleasures of the hunt and chase ;  
They had no rum-shops in or near the place ;  
They had no politicians, no ring rule ;  
The boys and girls were not confined in school.  
They had no counting-house, no shop, no mill ;  
They had no gas, no coal, no butcher's bill.  
They had no pigs, nor cows, nor hens to feed ;  
Of saw, and axe, and books they had no need.  
They had no engine shrieking through the night ;  
They had no motor, and no horse to fright.  
They had no parlors then to sweep and dust,  
No nickle-plated silver-ware to rust ;  
No contribution box, no bank to burst ;  
No tariff high or low, and no free-trade ;  
Of competition they were not afraid.

They had no corporations then to fear,  
 And no hand-organs rasping on the ear.  
 They lived on venison and salmon-trout,  
 And on the whole knew what they were about.  
 In fact, our friends, the aborigines,  
 Of trouble borrowed none, and lived at ease,—  
 Indeed had no one but themselves to please.

Into this Indian paradise there came  
 A white man from the south in search of game :  
 'T was Ebenezer Eastman, known to fame.  
 This Ebenezer was of great renown,  
 And claimed as pioneer in many a town.  
 Behind him came the Walkers, Bradleys, too,  
 The Ballards, Farnums, Abbotts, Smiths a few,  
 The Kimballs. Chandlers, Holts,—good men and true.  
 With Christian zeal their manly hearts were warmed :  
 Here in the wilderness a church they formed.  
 They laid out present Main street, straight and wide,  
 And built a meeting-house close by its side ;  
 Divided land in lots of equal size,  
 And in their ways were circumspect and wise.

When they had finished preparations all,  
 The Reverend Timothy Walker had a call  
 To settle as their pastor in the fall.  
 For over fifty years he led his flock—  
 In times of peace and in the fearful shock  
 Of Indian wars brought on by foreign hate,  
 When many settlers met their frightful fate.  
 He served them faithfully until the end,  
 As pastor, justice, counsellor, and friend.  
 For them his house was made into a fort ;  
 For justice pleaded in a foreign court ;  
 He faced the storms upon the ocean's breast ;  
 His life he gave to labor—not to rest.  
 No doubt he had his hair done in a queue,  
 Wore silver buckles and knee-breeches too.  
 We think he could distinguish right from wrong ;  
 We know his cane was nearly five feet long.  
 We think he rather liked his joke and fun ;  
 We know that he could handle sword or gun.  
 He christened children, funeral sermons preached,  
 Joined man and maid when proper age was reached ;  
 Attended to his duties, great and least,



For all the country round was teacher, priest.  
In fact his parish was the township wide ;  
From distant farms they gathered to his side.  
From Turtle pond, from Broken Ground near by,  
From Break o' Day, and from the Mountain high,  
From the Dark Plain, and from the Sugar Ball,  
From Long pond, Horse hill, and from Sewall's fall,  
From Mast Yard, Garvin's, Millville, Turkey pond,  
Would gather children and their parents fond  
At the old meeting-house at the North End,  
To hear the sermons of their reverend friend.  
Some came afoot, with shoes and socks in hand :  
To save the leather was this method planned.  
Some came on horseback with the wife behind :  
The horse-block where they landed one will find  
In Mr. Walker's door-yard at North End,  
To prove my statement and the truth defend.

For many years the church and town were one—  
Long after Mr. Walker's work was done.  
The Reverend Israel Evans next was called,  
Then A. McFarland was in turn installed.

Then fresh from Yale and Andover there came  
Nathaniel Bouton,—honored be his name !—  
Whose history of the town increased his fame.  
'T was here he labored from his early youth  
To green old age, instilling gospel truth.  
His heart led him his Maker to adore,  
His head was filled with antiquarian lore ;  
He loved not history less, but Scripture more.  
E'en now there seems to linger round this place  
His gentle presence and his noble face.

Next came our present pastor, Mr. Ayer,  
Who now for twenty years has held the care  
Of church and flock, and lead us on the way,  
The old, the young, the sad ones and the gay,  
To where he teaches is eternal day.

If Mr. Chase will now the church doors lock,  
Or hold them firmly as the granite rock,  
And let no guilty one from here escape  
Save o'er his mangled form and manly shape,  
We'll try to photograph for you the flock,  
But no one's sensibilities will shock.

We first will note our agricultural friend  
 From Watanummon's brook at the "north end."  
 All through the state have greedy grangers hung  
 Upon the accents of his silver tongue.  
 From classic Yale he came, and saw no harm  
 To cultivate his fame and till his farm.  
 'T is said he was presented to the queen  
 As representative of grangers green.

We have with us an unpretentious man  
 Who gives his time to study, thought, and plan.  
 With stores of solid wisdom he is blessed,  
 His high authority by all confessed.  
 They like them most who know the Pillsburys best.

If in our title we should find a flaw,  
 And were compelled to grapple with the law,  
 We have with us a man of legal lore,  
 Who knows not only law but something more :  
 Of wisdom Justice Dana hath a store.

The best of men are sometimes rather small,  
 The largest men are oft not good at all :  
 We cannot judge of goodness by the size :  
 We do not know, we hardly realize  
 How much of good in Deacon Farnum lies.

However, in our youth we learned at school  
 That some exceptions did but prove the rule :  
 When nature builds on her most lavish plan,  
 She often gives all virtues to the man :—  
 Hath she not done so with good Captain Ann?

Of deacons we could have as many more,  
 But as it is, we get along with four :  
 There's Smith, and Morrison, and Ballard, too,  
 Each one a Christian leader, tried and true.  
 And still another, not yet quite so old,  
 Modest and pure, and, if the truth were told,  
 As true as steel, as good as Moulton gold.

Our youthful choir I hope are somewhere near,  
 That they a word of honest praise may hear.  
 Each of the singers hath a pleasing voice,  
 And, when they sing in concert, make a noise  
 Which hath a charm to sooth the savage ear,

And wring from hardest heart a silent tear.  
To all of us the choir is very dear :  
We are attached because they are so nice,  
We would not hint they're "dear at any price."

Our organist deserves a word of praise,  
Who only for the love of music plays.  
He filled the old North church with music sweet ;  
To him and to us all 't would be a treat  
To have him play again as in old days.  
For Doctor Carter was the organ bought :  
I think we all esteem him as we ought.  
Oh ! may he speedily his health regain—  
Be strong and well, and with us once again.  
We should, however, rank beneath the brute,  
Did we not value high his substitute.

Our Jewels bright we do not wish to scorn,  
Nor skip another, though a constant Thorne.  
From old colonial days are handed down  
Familiar Ballads, known about the town.  
From Charlestown, when the British fled, we find  
The Bunkers came, but left the hill behind.

Wisconsin sends to us a chieftian brave  
Whom I will mention, nor his blushes save :  
Of warlike anecdote he hath a fund :—  
A warrior battle-scarred is General Lund.

Nor should we leave the Abbots in the lurch,  
For they, indeed, are longest in the church.  
From them we get the latest Vassar lore,  
And knightly deeds as in the days of yore.

While some with New Year's a new leaf will turn,  
We turn two Pages, who for wisdom yearn,  
And still have many pages yet to learn.  
They only seem to care for public weal,  
And labor for the common good with zeal:

From Scotland came the Stewarts, who can trace  
Their lineage straight from Scotland's royal race.  
The family here rank quite as high as when  
In Scotland they were lords and noblemen,  
And cut a royal swell, the story goes,  
And could wear antique armor when they chose,  
While here they cut a royal suit of clothes.

We have with us a scholar versed, indeed,  
In all the wisdom human beings need :—  
A ready writer, clear, concise ; and cool,  
Efficient teacher in his private school ;  
A man already widely known to fame—  
Why deed I mention Amos Hadley's name ?

If banks we want, we need be at no loss  
While we have amiable and gentle Cross.  
Indeed we run the very smallest risk  
In leaving all our wealth with Mr. Fiske.  
One thing alone prevents our being rash,—  
Not want of confidence, but—want of cash !

We have with us a politician gray,  
Not one, however, who will friends betray ;  
A grateful state enlists him in her cause,  
And trusts him with the making of the laws :  
From Enoch Gerrish, senator-elect,  
The highest statesmanship we may expect.

Now many more would my attention claim,  
To fitly honor or pronounce the name ;  
But there, the door you need no longer hold,  
Although my story is but partly told :  
There are so many gathered in one fold,  
I cannot do full justice to them all,—  
Perhaps would better not have tried at all.

But if you will for just a moment wait,  
I will a very mournful tale relate :  
It is the sad and melancholy fate  
Of one who tried to pass St. Peter's gate,  
But was, I grieve to say, a little late.

But better late than never, I contend,  
To bring my nonsense rhyme to sudden end.



# ABRAHAM LINCOLN

*Appropriately honored by the Republicans of New Hampshire at the Second Banquet of the Lincoln Club, at the Eagle Hotel in Concord, Tuesday Evening, Feb. 15, 1887.*

[From the Concord Monitor.]

In point of numbers, enthusiasm, and eloquence, the meeting of the Lincoln Club of New Hampshire at the Eagle hotel, Tuesday evening, was so great a success that it will long be remembered as one of the most notable events in the history of the Republican party in New Hampshire. The attendance was not only very large, but it was made up of representative Republicans from all parts of the state. Under the direct supervision of the secretary, M. J. Pratt of this city, the arrangements had been made so complete that there were no unpleasant delays and no disappointments. John L. Clark acted as treasurer in the unavoidable absence of Hon. E. H. Woodman. The seating of the large company at the banquet tables was admirably looked after by Charles A. Herbert and Will W. Stone, and Norris A. Dunklee acted as door-keeper. Blaisdell's orchestra gave a delightful concert in the office of the hotel from 8 to 9, and discoursed choice music during the hour and a half that the discussion of the menu was in progress.

The banquet is pronounced the best ever served in this city; it certainly reflected the highest credit on Col. John A. White, the Eagle Hotel, and all who had a share in its preparation and its completion. The menu card bore on one side, "Eagle Hotel, Concord, N. H., Tuesday, February 15th, 1887." Above the menu was a portrait of Mr. Lincoln, over-arched by the words "Lincoln Club of New Hampshire." The dinner was served admirably in courses, and was as follows:

Oysters on Deep Shell.		
Clear Soup.		
Chicken Halibut.	Potato Croquettes.	
Fillet of Beef with Mushrooms.		
Boned Turkey with Jelly.		
Lettuce.	Vegetables.	Celery.
	Chicken Salad.	
	Orange Sherbet.	
	Lauded Grouse.	
Saddle of Venison, Currant Jelly.		
Vanilla Ice Cream.	Assorted Cakes.	
	Green and Dry Fruit.	
Tea.	Coffee.	

At the head of the table in the centre of the dining hall sat the president of the club, Col. Charles H. Sawyer of Dover; on his right were Hon. C. H. Burns of Wilton, Capt. Henry B. Atherton of Nashua, Hon. Henry Robinson of this city, Attorney-General Barnard of Franklin, Hon. William E. Chandler of Concord, Hon. David H. Goodell of Antrim, Hon. John J. Bell of Exeter, and Councillor Peter Upton of East Jaffrey; Councillor B. A. Kimball of this city occupied the position opposite the president, and on the latter's left were Rev. A. P. Rein, pastor of White Memorial Universalist church of this city, Col. Daniel Hall of Dover, Charles R. Corning of this city, Hon. O. C. Moore of Nashua, Hon. Edward H. Rollins of this city, Hon. Dexter Richards of Newport, Councillor C. W. Talpey of Farmington, and Councillor M. L. Morrison of Peterborough. Before the members of the club took their seats at the handsome tables, grace was said by Rev. Mr. Rein. After the several courses of the banquet had been duly considered, President Sawyer arose, and gracefully opened the speaking of the evening as follows:

GENTLEMEN OF THE LINCOLN CLUB: It gives me pleasure to see such a large attendance here to-night at this second meeting of the Lincoln Club of New Hampshire. It confirms what seemed apparent at the first meeting, that there is a strong interest felt in this organization by the Republicans of the state. We may reasonably hope that as a means of bringing together members from throughout the state it will not only be a benefit socially, but also a valuable and efficient aid in promoting the interests of the party.

We are here to celebrate the anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln. Strictly, the meeting should have been on the 12th. That date occurring this year on Saturday, it was thought advisable to defer it until this evening, as being more convenient for members in attendance from the more remote parts of the state. The Club could not have been more honourably or more appropriately named.

The memory of Lincoln is growing to be more and more honored and revered with the lapse of time. It is a name that appeals to the hearts and sympathy of a loyal and grateful people. A man of the humblest origin, he was destined by Providence to lead this nation through the terrible and momentous struggle which was to demonstrate to

the world that we were a nation, and that a republican form of government could be maintained under the greatest strain to which it could be subjected—that of civil war. His great services ended with his life, and he will be ranked with Washington in the hearts of his countrymen, and in history as one of the greatest benefactors of the human race.

SPEECH OF CAPT. H. B. ATHERTON.

The address of Captain Atherton was well delivered and extremely interesting. It was as follows:

MR. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN: I first saw Abraham Lincoln in the spring of 1854. The news that Senator Douglas had reported from his committee a bill repealing the Missouri Compromise had run out through the country "like a fire-bell in the night." The state of Illinois was ablaze with indignation. I was at Springfield at the meeting of the extra session of the legislature in February, when that measure was under discussion, and I well remember the intense excitement of the occasion. Shortly after, on the 22d of March, it became my good fortune to listen to the trial of a cause in the Morgan county court in which Mr. Lincoln took part as counsel. He was associated with Judge Brown of Springfield for the defence. A Mr. Smith and Murray McConnell of Jacksonville were the plaintiff's lawyers. The suit was brought by Silsby, editor of the *Jacksonville Journal*, a free soil paper, against one Dunlap, a pro-slavery Democrat, for a personal assault which had been provoked by some political or personal allusion to him in the paper. I remember that my sympathies were wholly with the plaintiff and against Mr. Lincoln's client, for the assault had been an aggravated one with a cane, and as a boy, with rather strong anti-slavery proclivities, I was prejudiced against the defendant, his conduct, his politics, and very likely against his counsel also; and yet I was delighted with the argument of Mr. Lincoln, which made a lasting impression on my mind. I recall the expectation I had that "Judge" Brown was to do something commensurate with his title, and the surprise I felt that he was so much surpassed by his associate. The jury gave the plaintiff \$300, and ought probably to have given him more; but that night I put down in my note-book, "Mr. Lincoln is a very good speaker," and that was very true.

Though then 45 years old, he was but little known outside his own state. He had been in the practice of the law seventeen years. He had served two or three terms in the state legislature and one in Congress, and, as candidate for presidential elector, had stumped the state both in 1840 and 1844 for the Whig party.

Before he began to study law he had begun to advocate those principles which later made him a representative Republican. In 1812, when he announced himself at the age of twenty-three a candidate for the legislature, he said, in what must have been about his first political speech, "I am in favor of the internal improvement system and a high protective tariff." Twenty-three years later, when his most intimate friend, Speed, inquired of him how he stood, he wrote, "I think I am a Whig. \* \* \* I now do no more than oppose the extension of slavery. I am not a Know Nothing; that is certain. How could I be? How could any one who abhors the oppression of negroes be in favor of degrading classes of white people?" Sprung from the ranks of the "plain people" himself, his sympathies were always with the poor. Born among the poor whites of a border slave state, where labor was degraded, good schools made impossible, and the door to advancement closed by the blight of human slavery, he had, through his own experience and that of his parents, before him, become conscious of the great wrong and injustice to the whites, and the great misery and wretchedness to the negroes caused by slavery. His kind heart could not witness unmoved the dis-

tress of a dumb animal, and much less could he bear to see the oppressed slaves at their unrequited toil. Poverty, weakness, distress, or misfortune never appealed to him in vain.

He sought distinction without disguise or hypocrisy. He coveted the good will of his fellow-men, but always sought to merit it. He was intellectually as well as morally honest, and as he never deceived others so, he never deluded himself. Of such material were the men who originated the Republican party, and Mr. Lincoln was a fair representative of that party. A vast majority of its voters were working men, intelligent, conscientious, and patriotic.

Within the last few years men have protested against being compelled to compete with the labor of a few hundred unpaid convicts in the prisons, or of a few thousand economical Chinese on the Pacific coast, who with no families or churches to support, are able to underbid in the labor market the honest Christian, who lives like a man, supports his wife and children, sustains schools and churches, and performs his whole duty as a citizen; and I believe there is some ground for an open and manly protest in that direction. But the grievance from these sources is the merest trifle compared with the intolerable competition of three millions of "chattels real"—African slaves fed on the coarsest of food, clothed with the cheapest of garments, and working for no pay whatever. That was the substantial grievance which the white workmen of the country, uniting under the name of the Republican party, openly combined to meet. It cheapened the wages of the white man. It cast odium on honest labor—that blessing in disguise without which no race ever emerged from barbarism, and no individual ever attained to a wholesome and healthy growth. It retarded civilization, denied the rights of man, and was at war with our free institutions. It grew strong, aggressive, and defiant. It proclaimed "Cotton is king!" and capitalists at the North timidly bowed before His Majesty.

Making use of the Democratic party as its agent and instrument, slavery began an advance along the whole line. The objective points of this concerted movement were to nationalize slavery and ultimately to reopen the African slave trade, and thereby still further to cheapen labor. Men brought cargoes of slaves from the Congo coast and landed them on the shores of the Southern states with no apparent fear or danger of punishment. The area for slavery was enlarged by waging a war of doubtful justice upon a sister republic and despoiling her of a large portion of her territory. The fugitive slave law was passed which compelled free men in the North at the will of a United States marshal to take the place of blood-hounds in the South in hunting down the fugitive flying from an intolerable thralldom. In the U. S. supreme court the Dred Scott decision was obtained, in which it was announced that no slave or descendant of a slave could be a person entitled to the right of habeas corpus, or trial by jury, and that neither Congress nor a territorial legislature could exclude slavery from the territories. The court would not admit that even the state legislatures could exclude slavery from their respective states; and it was believed that their next step would be to declare that the states had not the power under the constitution. The Lemon slave case was already going through the New York courts, where in the court of appeals I heard Charles O'Connor argue against William M. Evarts that a Southern slaveholder could voluntarily bring his "chattels" into New York, and they were not thereby made free, but he might retain possession of them and take them back to the South. Robert Toombs proposed to call the roll of his slaves beneath the shadow of Bunker Hill monument. To this end the three departments of the general government were working in harmony.

The Missouri Compromise had dedicated to freedom the territories north of 36 deg. 30 min., and was thought by many to be as binding as the constitution itself. The good faith of both sections was pledged to its maintenance. The slaveholders had

control of the Democratic party, and no person, unless he was willing to do their bidding, could hope for advancement within that party. That was the situation when, on the 23d of January, 1854, Stephen A. Douglas, as a bid for the next presidential nomination of his party, introduced into the senate the famous Kansas-Nebraska bill, repealing the Missouri Compromise. Nobody in Illinois had asked Mr. Douglas to take that step. It was the order of the slave power, and the passage of the bill was a declaration of war on the part of the South. Very soon both parties began to throw out skirmishers into Kansas, and the result of the preliminary struggle was with the North.

It had become evident to the minds of such men as William H. Seward and Abraham Lincoln that the "irrepressible conflict between opposing and enduring forces" had begun. It was in the opening sentence of his great speech of the 17th of June, 1858, that Mr. Lincoln said,—"A house divided against itself cannot stand. I believe that this government cannot endure permanently half slave and half free. I do not expect the Union to be dissolved. I do not expect the house will fall; but I do expect it will cease to be divided. It will become all one thing or all the other. Either the opponents of slavery will arrest the further spread of it, and place it where the public mind shall rest in the belief that it is in course of ultimate extinction, or its advocates will push it forward till it shall become alike lawful in all the states, old as well as new, North as well as South."

The course of Mr. Douglas having made him the most conspicuous of the Democratic leaders in the North, his ambition was no longer limited to the Senate or any place within the gift of the people of Illinois. He now aspired to the presidency of the United States. For twenty years Mr. Lincoln had been his rival and competitor, antagonizing him step by step. He had met him repeatedly in debate, and had answered his arguments on the tariff and internal improvements, and, more recently, upon the repeal of the Missouri Compromise, and "popular sovereignty," until he had come to be recognized as the champion of the free-state men. On all sides it was expected of him that he should again take the stump in opposition to Mr. Douglas and the aggressions of the slave power. The famous debate of 1858 between them made Mr. Lincoln well known to the whole country, and without doubt the signal ability which he then displayed, the moderation and fairness of his views, coupled with his inflexible firmness for the right, made him the candidate of the Republican party in 1860.

In his speeches he did not deal in second-hand ideas. His practical training prevented his being bookish or fond of abstractions. From his own wide experience with men and nature he drew illustrations familiar to himself and to his audiences. He was not inclined to the use of invective; and was slow to apply hard names to his opponents. He preferred to appeal to their intelligence and sense of justice, and to convince them through their reason. He never undertook to persuade men by personal abuse. In his public discussions he seems to have been always charitable toward those who differed with him, apparently believing they might be honestly wrong, and seeking to win them to his way of thinking. He never claimed for himself or his party all the wisdom and virtue of the country, nor denied a fair share to his opponents; and yet under his wise counsel, and in a large measure by his efforts, the anti-slavery Whigs, the free-soil Democrats, the abolitionists, the constitutional union men of Illinois, and, to a certain extent, of the country at large, were united in one homogeneous whole, welded into the Republican party,—a party which has done more for the moral and material welfare of this country than any other party has ever done for any country since the dawn of civilization. With the war for the Union waged and won, with slavery rendered impossible forever hereafter, with the Pacific Railroad built, and a generous homestead given to every settler, all under the administration of the first president elected by that

party, the country has gone on in a course of prosperity never equalled before, and has grown so in population, and so multiplied all those comforts and necessities of life which go to make up the collective wealth of a people, that it has become the most populous, the wealthiest, and, I may add, the most powerful nation in Christendom. It leads the van of civilization.

But it is natural for us to be not quite satisfied. It is hard to let well enough alone. The best is not quite good enough; and it is as well so, otherwise if we were too easily content we should make no progress. In this age of boycotts, lockouts, and strikes, successful and otherwise, we hear a great deal about socialism, communism, nihilism, anarchy, the land question, and various other movements founded on the assumption that capital must always of necessity be at war with labor. On this assumption the workingman is invited to align himself with this or that movement, and by so doing better his condition. Now, there was a time when to a certain extent labor was at war with capital. That was the time when the Democratic party said capital had a right to buy and own labor. The Republican party, composed as it was of workmen, took the opposite view, and said the converse of the proposition is true, and that instead of capital owning the laborer, the laborer should own the capital, as much of it as possible; and for the past thirty years that party has done everything to help him to take that position with regard to capital. A high protective tariff gives high wages to the workman, and, so long as his tea and coffee, his beef and flour, his house rent and doctor's bills, and nine-tenths of his clothing pay no duty, the cost of living is not perceptibly increased by the tariff. By reason of the protective tariff, advocated by Lincoln in 1832 and put in operation under his administration by a Republican Congress, hundreds of thousands of laborers have found comfortable homes in this country, who, but for that Republican measure, would have had no pecuniary inducement to come to us across the Atlantic.

Upon this question of the relation between labor and capital, which to-day perplexes the minds of a good many honest men, we are not left without words of guidance from the sagacious and far-seeing Lincoln. In his message to Congress in December, 1861, notwithstanding the public mind was intent upon the prosecution of the war, he spoke of the attempt of the Confederacy to place capital on an equal footing, if not above labor, and enumerated fallacious assumptions on which they proceeded. He said they assumed that labor is available only in connection with capital; that nobody labors unless induced thereto by somebody else owning capital, either by hiring or owning the laborer; that whoever is a hired laborer is fixed in that condition for life. "Now," he said, "there is no such relation between capital and labor as assumed; nor is there any such thing as a free man being fixed for life in the condition of a hired laborer. Both these assumptions are false, and all inferences from them are groundless. Labor is prior to and independent of capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor, and could never have existed if labor had not first existed. Labor is the superior of capital, and deserves much the higher consideration. Capital has its rights, which are as worthy of protection as any other rights." He said a few men possess capital, and with their capital hire another few to labor for them, but a large majority North and South, were neither masters nor slaves, hirers nor hired. Men, with their families, wives, sons, and daughters, work for themselves on their farms, in their houses, and in their shops, taking their whole product to themselves, and asking no favors of capital on the one hand or hired laborers on the other.

"Again," Mr. Lincoln repeated, "there is not of necessity any such thing as the free hired laborer being fixed to that condition for life," and then he added in words, which, though I read them first while in camp in Virginia more than twenty-five years ago, I think I shall never forget because they are so true of our people: "Many independent men everywhere in these states a few years back in



their lives were hired laborers. The prudent, penniless beginner in the world labors for wages awhile, saves a surplus with which to buy tools or land for himself, then labors on his own account another while, and at length becomes another new beginner to help him. This is the just and generous and prosperous system which opens the way to all, gives hope to all, and consequent energy and progress and improvement of condition to all. No men living are more worthy to be trusted than those who toil up from poverty; none less inclined to take or touch aught which they have not honestly earned."

These words of Abraham Lincoln are as wise and true to-day as they were when first uttered, and they are still the doctrine of the Republican party. While capital has a right to protect on, labor is still superior. We recognize the fact that human beings are of more consequence than dollars, that persons are more precious than things, and, happily for the workingman, under a free government, the party that by precept or example teaches otherwise, will soon become a mere plutocratic remnant without votes.

I congratulate the members of our club upon the name we have assumed, and I venture to predict, that so long as the Republicans of New Hampshire continue to honor the name of Lincoln and follow his example and teachings, they will deserve and continue to receive the support of a great majority of the intelligent people of the state.

#### SPEECH OF COL. DANIEL HALL.

The oration of Colonel Hall received the close attention of every one present, and was able and eloquent. It was as follows:

MR. PRESIDENT: I understand that I am expected to occupy a few minutes of your time in speaking of "Abraham Lincoln as a Man." The theme is too large for me, and crushes me at the beginning. It is like speaking of the sun; and as, while we stand in the full effulgence of that great luminary, flooding the world with its light and warmth and life-giving power, it is impossible to disentangle and analyze its various and many-hued rays of beneficence, so is it difficult to emphasize any separate aspects of this illustrious and many-sided character. The mere character of a great man not seldom confers greater benefits upon the nation, and upon the epoch in which he lives, than any, or even all, of his specific achievements. I have sometimes thought that such was the ministry to us of the life of Abraham Lincoln; for though it was given to him to connect his name inseparably with some of the greatest events in our history,—the overthrow of the Rebellion, the maintenance of the Union, the emancipation of the slave,—yet, when we consider the great moral authority his name has gained, the ideas and associations that cluster about that unique individuality, how his influence and example and precepts have uplifted this people in their whole being, it seems as if he had brought a new force into our national life; had set in motion a train of benign influences which is to go on without limit, so that in future his age is to form a new date and point of departure in our political calendar.

So familiar is his personality to us that we scarcely need to know more of him; and yet I think all of us must be reading with deep interest the new life of him, which is appearing in "The Century," and throwing fresh light upon his origin, his education, and his early career. There was a special fitness in the birth, amid the poorest and harshest surroundings, of him whose destiny it was to assert for his country and his age the divine right, not of kings, but of humanity,—the essential equality of men, and their right to an untrammelled liberty and an unfettered pursuit of happiness. No training in the schools entered into his preparation for his great work, but he lived the life of the broad West, breathing its free and invigorating air, and thus developed a sterling

manhood, health of body, and strength of limb, truth in every word and deed, and a clearness of vision and moral intrepidity which the schools cannot supply. Thus reared, amid humble and simple surroundings, he "mewed his mighty youth" in warfare upon

"The uncleared forest, the unbroken soil,  
The iron bark that turns the lumberer's axe,  
The rapid that o'erbears the boatman's toil,  
The prairie, hiding the mazed wanderer's tracks,

"The ambushed Indian and the prowling bear,—  
Such were the needs that helped his youth to train;

Rough culture—but such trees large fruit may bear,  
If but their stocks be of right girth and grain."

In such a mould his life took on that rough exterior and homely garb which shaped it for all time, and made him "in his simplicity sublime."

These struggles of pioneer life were the bracing on of the armor of Vulcan which equipped him for deeds of high enterprise; they made him brave and true, genuine and sincere,—one to whom duty should be first, and the rights of man second; and he grew up having in him what our ancestors, with awful solemnity, called "the fear of God." To his latest day he took on no veneer of polish: he assumed no dramatic attitudes for dazzling the eye or impressing the imagination, and was guilty of no trickeries to cheat the judgment of contemporaries or of posterity.

It is not necessary to trace Mr. Lincoln's pathway, step by step, upward towards the high places of the world. You are all familiar with the slow but sure processes of his growth and advancement. His original abilities were of a high order. He saw quickly and distinctly. His mind was clear, and open to truth as the flowers are to the sunlight and the dew. His reasonings were close and sound. He was a man of power and effectiveness, and so steadily did he grow in public esteem that long before his great preference was dreamed of he enjoyed a popular regard almost unparalleled. No stronger proof of his intellectual and moral energy can be cited than the rapid and strong hold which he gained in due time upon the patriotism, the confidence, and the faith of the country. These elements crystallized with an unhesitating abandon about his name, and the strength and vitality of the free North took the color of his mind, and became charged with his personality. That he was a great lawyer, with vigorous powers of logic and comparison and illustration, and a strong grasp upon legal principles, will be shown to you by another, amply competent to present to you that phase of his greatness; and I will not trench upon his province.

He was also an orator of rare power. Before those rather rude audiences of the West, which had no fastidiousness, and judged him by no nice standard of taste, he was grandly effective, and convinced and swayed them with consummate skill. With them he employed, as he did everywhere, those "rugged phrases heaved from life," and that inimitable wit and genial humor which testified to his real seriousness, and the zest and relish with which he entered into the life around him. The severe logic, the clearness and compactness of statement, the moral earnestness which struck a deeper chord even than conviction,—all these appear in some of his speeches in Congress, and notably in the renowned debate between him and Douglas; and in these and his casual addresses, more still in his unstudied conversations, there is to be found phrase after phrase that has the ring and the weight and the sharp outline of a bronze coin. But he filled also the requisites of a higher and more exacting criticism. Though unlearned, and without the graces of the schools, he was sometimes gifted with the loftiest eloquence. On great occasions, written and spoken speech has rarely risen to higher levels than from his lips. Some of his utterances, instinct with solemn thoughtfulness, and illustrated by beauty of diction, a sententious brevity, and



felicitous turns of expression, such as the Cooper Institute speech, his inaugural addresses, and the oration at Gettysburg, are masterpieces, to live and resound as long as the English tongue survives.

Mr. Lincoln answered, as I think, another of the unerring tests of greatness, in his marked individuality, and his unique unlikeness to everybody else. He had no affectation of singularity, and yet he created a distinctness of impression which seems to point him out as a type by himself, a distinct species created by the Divine hand in the evolution of time. His image on our vision is not a blur, but is as distinctly and sharply cut as the outline of a cameo, or

"The dome of Florence drawn on the deep blue sky."

No other great man as yet in the least resembles him; and if, my friends, we are so happy one day as to meet the shades of the great in the Elysian fields, we shall know that exalted spirit at a glance, and we shall no more mistake the identity of Abraham Lincoln than we shall that of Cæsar or Cromwell or Napoleon, Washington or Grant. Nature stamps her particular sign-manual upon each of her supremely great creations, and we may be sure that she broke the die in moulding Lincoln.

To a club which has honored itself by taking his great name, an inquiry into Mr. Lincoln's conception of politics must ever be a study of the deepest interest. In the first place, he *was* a politician from the crown of his head to the sole of his foot, and, himself pure, sober, temperate, chaste, and incorruptible, he never shrank from what the mawkish sentimentality of our day affects to condemn and sneer at as the vulgarity of engaging in politics. He entered with ardor into the political life around him; he engaged in party caucuses, conventions, and gatherings; he mixed in the political management of his state, his county, his district, his township, and received no contamination thereby. He conceived this to be the duty of every citizen of a free republic, and no word discouraging political activity ever fell from his lips. He carried into his politics the same morality that he used in his daily dealings with clients and friends. He was incapable of intrigue, he was true and transparent, and no duplicity ever stained his integrity. He studied the currents of public opinion, not as a demagogue to slavishly follow them, but from a profound conviction that, as to times and means, all men are wiser than any one man, and from a real respect for the will of the people, to which he ever rendered a genuine homage. He sought no power. He was too healthy and natural to be disturbed by any troubled dreams of a great destiny; and if he had ambition, it was free from vulgar taint. But *in* power he never forgot his trusteeship for the people, and he never lost elbow-touch with those to whom he rendered

"The constant service of the antique world,  
When service swart for duty, not for meed."

The world knew, therefore, that glory, or vanity, or lust of power had no place in that pure heart. "His ends were his country's, his God's, and truth's," and thus did he earn the proud title of

"Statesman, yet friend to truth! of soul sincere,  
In action faithful, and in honor clear;  
Who broke no promise, served no private end,  
Who gained no title, and who lost no friend."

Therefore, Mr. President, I claim that his whole life is a standing reproof to the flippant notion and the skeptical and cynical fling that politics is a dishonest game. He was a politician from the outset; and if there is one lesson inculcated here to-day by his life and character, it is that politics in a free government affords the loftiest themes of thought and the grandest theatre of action for men of great and consecrated powers. He was a striking proof that the honestest politics is the best politics, that the greatest prizes are gained by unselfish souls, and that, in fact, there is in decent politics no room for a dishonest man. Here was a man devoted all

his life to politics in America, with a zeal and intensity which left him no time for the study of anything but politics, and the law by which he gained his meagre livelihood; and if, as has been said, there is something narrowing in the profession of law, and degrading in the pursuit of politics, surely Abraham Lincoln did not exemplify it, nor did he,

"— born for the universe, narrow his mind,  
And to party gave up what was meant for mankind."

After his great elevation, his speeches and state papers are replete with proofs of his political insight, his clearness of vision, and his far-reaching views. He saw vividly the great considerations which determined his duty, and that of his party, on the question of disunion. He felt in his own breast the pulsations of this mighty land. He saw his country and her splendid opportunities for a great race for empire,—no oceans or mountains dividing, great rivers connecting, a common origin, a common history, common traditions, a common language, continuity of soil, and a great position in the family of nations which unity alone could secure. He rose to the full height of the issues involved. He knew that should the South succeed in winning independence "the cloth once rent would be next again;" that there would no longer be one America, but many Americas; that the New World would tread over again in the bloody tracks of the Old; that there would be rival communities, with rival constitutions, Democracies lapsing into military despotisms, intrigues, dissensions, and wars following on wars. Therefore this man, so gentle, so mild, so peace-loving, that every shot sent a pang to his own heart, could give the word of command, and, with unbending will, see the United States tear open their veins, and spill their blood in torrents that they might remain one people. But throughout the sanguinary carnival through which he was forced to lead us for four long years, Mr. Lincoln's nature remained true and tender and forgiving. No bitterness and no uncharitableness usurped any place in his heart. There was nothing local or provincial in his patriotism. Notwithstanding the insults and contempt lavished upon himself, despite the injury and wrong done to what he held dearer than himself,—the Union and the liberty which it made possible,—he still enfolded the South in his warmest affections. His whole public life is full of evidences of this breadth of view, this catholicity of temper, this far-reaching statesmanship, this magnanimous and Christian spirit. He yearned for peace unceasingly; and there can be no doubt that a complete pacification and reconciliation on the basis of impartial liberty was the last and fondest dream of his great soul, rudely interrupted by the stroke of the assassin. He lived not to realize his great designs, yet he fulfilled his historic mission, and what a large are in the completed circle of our country's history will his administration embrace! What harvests of martial and civic virtue were garnered in! What a treasure-house of national memories and heroic traditions was prepared! What a new and glorious impulse was communicated to the national life!

What was achieved by his genius and character by that peculiar combination and summary of qualities of heart and brain and environment which make up what we call Abraham Lincoln, we, by our finite standards and our partial view of the scopes and orbits of human influence, can never adequately measure. But some things we see in their completeness before our eyes. We gaze with admiration upon his pure and upright character, his immovable firmness and determination in the right, his inexhaustible patience and hopefulness under reverses. We remember how steadily these masterful qualities wrought upon the public mind, till his quaint wisdom, his disinterestedness, his identification with the principles that underlay the issues of the Civil War, made his name representative of all that was highest and holiest and best in the North, and gave it a prestige which

alone was sufficient to carry us triumphantly through to the end. Before this prestige all resistance was discomfited, and his was the hand to complete and adorn the unfinished temple of our fathers. Substituting the corner-stone of Freedom for that of Slavery, he built anew the indestructible edifice of our Liberty, giving it new proportions of beauty, lifting up into the clear blue its towers and pinnacles, white and pure, and crowning all with the Emancipation Proclamation as its fitting capstone. He it was who presided over the strife which restored the Union, and "out of the nettle Danger plucked the flower Safety." But for that great character, raising high above the tumult of contending parties its voice of patriotism and moderation—that moderation which a profound writer calls "the great regulator of human intelligence"—who shall say that this government would not have been rent asunder, and the Ship of State foundered with all on board? There is no difference of opinion now as to the grandeur and nobility of this service. It was the finishing touch upon the work of Washington. Before Lincoln, Washington stood alone as the one great typical American. But now a new planet has come into our field of vision, and with him holds its place in our clear upper sky. Indeed, it is a significant fact that, as time goes on, our Southern people, who so sorely taxed and saddened that great spirit, are gaining a love and reverence for him almost transcending our own. Those whom he reduced to obedience are foremost in appreciation of him, so that that eloquent son and orator of the New South could rise at the banquet of the New England Society of New York on last Forefathers' Day, and pay this lofty tribute to his genius and virtue.

Said he, "From the union of these colonists, from the straightening of their purposes and the crossing of their blood, slow perfecting through a century, came he who stands as the first typical American, the first who comprehended within himself all the strength and gentleness, all the majesty and grace, of this republic—Abraham Lincoln. He was the sum of Puritan and Cavalier, for in his ardent nature were fused the virtues of both, and in the depths of his great soul the faults of both were lost. He was greater than Puritan, greater than Cavalier, in that he was American, and that in his homely form were first gathered the vast and thrilling forces of this ideal government—charging it with such tremendous meaning, and so elevating it above human suffering that martyrdom, though infamously aimed, came as a fitting crown to a life consecrated from the cradle to human liberty."

This is equally beautiful and true; and it well pays us for waiting to hear it come at last from the lips of a Georgian, representing a city so hammered and trampled upon by our hosts that scarcely one stone of it was left upon another in the gigantic struggle.

Not less striking, nor less surely the voice of the civilized world, were those strains, which, a few days after his death, swelled from the harp of England through the pages of *Punch*, which had incensed and insulted him through life:

You lay a wreath on murdered Lincoln's bier,  
You, who with mocking pencil went to trace,  
Broad for the self-complacent British sneer,  
His length of shambling limb, his furrowed face,  
His gaunt, gnarled hands, his unkempt, bristling hair,  
His garb uncomely, his bearing ill at ease,  
His lack of all we prize as debonair,  
Of power or will to shine, of art to please,—

You, whose smart pen backed up the pencil's laugh,  
Judging each step as though the way were plain;  
Reckless, so it could point its paragraph,  
Of chief's perplexity, or people's pain!

Beside this corpse, that bears for winding sheet  
The stars and stripes he lived to rear anew,  
Between the mourners at his head and feet,  
Say, scurriest jester, is there room for you?

Yes, he had lived to shame me from my sneer;  
To lame my pencil, and confute my pen;—  
To make me own this hind of princes peer;  
This rail-splitter a true born king of men.

My shallow judgment I had learnt to rue,  
Noting how to occasion's height he rose;  
How his quaint wit made home-truth seem more true;  
How iron-like his temper grew by blows;

How humble, yet how hopeful, he could be;  
How, in good fortune and in ill, the same;  
Nor bitter in success, nor boastful he,  
Thirsty for gold, nor feverish for fame.

He went about his work—such work as few  
Ever had laid on head, and heart, and hand—  
As one who knows, where there's a task to do,  
Man's honest will must heaven's good grace command.

Who trusts the strength will with the burden grow,  
That God makes instruments to work his will,  
If but that will we can arrive to know,  
Nor tamper with the weights of good and ill.

So he went forth to battle, on the side  
That he felt clear was Liberty's and Right's,  
As in his peasant boyhood he had plied  
His warfare with rude Nature's thwarting mights.

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So he grew up a destined work to do,  
And lived to do it: four long-suffering years' ill-fate, ill-feeling, ill-report, lived through,  
And then he heard the hisses change to cheers,

The taunts to tribute, the abuse to praise,  
And took both with the same unwavering mood:  
Till, as he came on light, from darkening days,  
And seemed to touch the goal from where he stood,

A felon had, between the goal and him,  
Reached from behind his back, a trigger prest,—  
And those perplexed and patient eyes were dim  
Those gaunt, long-labouring limbs were laid to rest:

The words of mercy were upon his lips,  
Forgiveness in his heart and on his pen,  
When this vile murderer brought swift eclipse  
To thoughts of peace on earth, good-will to men.

The Old World and the New, from sea to sea,  
Utter one voice of sympathy and shame!  
Sore heart, so stopped when it at last beat high!  
Sad life, cut short just as the triumph came!

A deed accurst! Strokes have been struck before  
By the assassin's hand, whereof men doubt  
If more of horror or disgrace they bore,  
But thy foul crime, like Cain's, shines darkly out.

Vile hand, that brandest murder on a strife,  
Whate'er its grounds, stoutly and nobly striven,  
And with the martyr's crown crownest a life  
With much to praise, little to be forgiven!

Therefore, it is clear that whatever differences we are to have hereafter with our brethren of the recent strife, and with the races of mankind, we are, by common consent, to stand with equal reverence before him; and contemplating the life onward and upward of this peasant boy, from the log cabin to the White House, and the moral dictatorship of the world, I involuntarily bow before the inscrutable things of the universe, and exclaim—"Sublime destiny! to have climbed by his unaided energies not only to the summit of earthly power, but to the reverence of history, and an undisputed dominion over the hearts and minds of posterity in all coming ages."

I have spoken of Mr. Lincoln's plainness and simplicity, his abilities and achievements, and his relation to politics. Through these he became a

great factor in the events of his time. But after all I must think the true key to his influence is to be sought and found elsewhere. In his incorruptible purity, his disinterestedness, his inflexible morality, his fidelity to convictions,—in short, in his moral earnestness,—here were the real hiding-places of his power. The world is ever loyal to this lofty type of character, and whenever it recognizes a man who never does violence to his moral sense, it brings him the crown of its allegiance and homage. It was Mr. Lincoln's sturdy honesty that gave him early the *soubriquet* of "Honest Abe," which never left him; and this it was that winged his speech with celestial fire, and made him victor wherever he moved. The moral bearings of every question presented to him were never out of his mind. In this respect, unlike most of the world's great, "his wagon" was always "hitched to a star." In fine, the elements of intellect, and will, and morality, were

"So mix'd in him, that Nature might stand up,  
And say to all the world, This was a Man!"

There is one scene in the life of Mr. Lincoln which has impressed my imagination beyond any other, and I have wondered why some masterly artist has never yet seized and thrown it in glowing colors and immortal beauty upon some great historical canvas. It seems to me it must have been the supreme happiness of that weary life, the moment when he looked into the dusky faces of his children by adoption in the streets of Richmond, from whose limbs the fetters had dropped at his touch, whom his word had lifted into the gladsome light of liberty,—'sole passion of the generous heart, sole treasure worthy of being coveted."

O my friends, the people did not simply admire Abraham Lincoln for his intellectual power, his force of will, the purity of his conscience, the rectitude of his private and public life; but they loved him as little children love their father, because they knew that he "loved the people in his heart as a father loves his children, ready at all hours of the day or the night to rise, to march, to fight, to suffer, to conquer or to be conquered, to sacrifice himself for them without reserve, with his fame, his fortune, his liberty, his blood, and his life."

Great men are like mountains, which grow as they recede from view. We are even now, perhaps, too near this extraordinary man, as indeed we are too near the remarkable events in which he lived and fought and won his battle of life, to appreciate them in their full significance. His fame in the centuries to come will rest, as that of all great men must and does, upon certain acts that stand out as landmarks in history. Few men have been so fortunate as he. So canonized is he in the heart of mankind, that envy and detraction fall harmless at his feet, and stain not the whiteness of his fame. There have been many men of daily beauty in life, but few such fortunate enough to associate their names with great steps in the progress of man—fewer still to blend the double glory of the grandest public achievement with the tenderest, sweetest, gentlest, and simplest private life and thought.

Not too soon for an abundant glory, but too soon for a loving and grateful country, his spirit was "touched by the finger of God, and he was not," and

"The great intelligences fair

That range above this mortal state,

In circle round the blessed gate,

Received and gave him welcome there."

As we gather in spirit about his tomb to-day, and decorate with unfading amaranth and laurel the memory of our great chief, how fitly may we say of him what Dixon said of Douglas Jerrold,—"If every one who has received a favor at his hands should cast a flower upon his grave, a mountain of roses would lie on the great man's breast."

I know, friends, how little words can do to portray this august personage, and, tolling in vain to express the thoughts of him which you and I feel, I doubt if it were not better after all, as Mr. Lin-

coln himself said of Washington, to "pronounce his name in solemn awe, and in its naked and deathless splendor leave it shining on."

If, now, such a character is a priceless possession to this people, how doubly fortunate are they, are we, who stood by him through life, and are the inheritors of his principles to-day. Therefore, Mr. President, is there a high propriety in this club of Republicans associating themselves together about the great name of Abraham Lincoln, inspired as they must be by the hope and the ambition to emulate those many traits and those personal virtues which so pervaded his nature as to permeate his politics and govern his life. He was ours wholly, and this Club, by adopting his name, in effect declares him its ideal Republican and political exemplar. In the very name there is fitting inspiration to high and noble endeavor, and we should be recreant to our opportunities and to our best selves—

"We that have loved him so, followed him, honored him,  
Lived in his mild and magnificent eye,  
Learned his great language, caught his clear accents,  
Made him our pattern, to live and to die!"—

I say, we should be recreant Republicans, if, under the influence of that transcendent name and character, the very crown and summit of American manhood, we should not rise to a lofty patriotism, a high conception of, and a new consecration to, political duty, and do our utmost to secure the triumph of his principles, and to lift our politics up to that high standard of honor and dignity which guided the steps of the great man whose birthday we now celebrate, and which is commemorated throughout the civilized world as that of a Patriot, Statesman, Hero, and supreme Martyr to Liberty.

#### SPEECH OF CHARLES R. CORNING.

Lincoln as a humorist was the theme assigned to Mr. Corning, and he treated it in his happiest vein, evoking laughter and applause many times. He said:

During the darkest days of the Civil War when disaster followed disaster in fearful succession, two Quakers chanced to meet. These honest haters of war could not keep their minds from the dreadful conflict. Said one,

"I think Jefferson will win."

"Why so?" asked the other.

"Because, Jefferson is a praying man."

"Yes, but so is Abraham."

"Verily so," the other replied, "but the Lord will think Abraham is joking."

Strange goddesses stood at his cradle. In the humble cabin were gathered the crowned heads of the world's court; the wise, the happy, the tender, the brave, all were there. One only was missing. Dana, whose hand flings golden showers into the lap of the living, came not. Into the poor pioneer's hut the faint flicker of the tallow dip could not allure the fabled goddess. Her mission was nearer the stars, and she never knew the lowly lad whom her sisters were glad to honor. They said, wed him with all that was good and true and honorable. To me Abraham Lincoln is one of the most remarkable studies that human nature ever presented. His mind was warped by no prejudices, and in a truly original manner he reached his own conclusions in law, in politics, and in private life. Herein he differed from all our public men. Washington, save his occasional profanity, was like his contemporaries. Jefferson, Jackson, Clay, Calhoun, Webster, and their successors differed only in mental qualities, but here in Lincoln we have a man who in mind and body was as solitary and alone as the north star. There was never one like him. I am asked to speak of President Lincoln as a humorist. That he was one there can be no question. But he was no wit. Humor and wit do



not always go together. One requires a deep, reflective vein; the other a reflection like a mirror. Lincoln did not have that quickness which is indispensable to true wit, and yet no man was ever possessed of a deeper sense of humor.

Even as a young man he was known as a story teller, and this reputation grew as he grew until his hearers were not confined to an Illinois circuit, but embraced the great republic. He was the life of the old time law courts and his quaint stories attracted more attention than his briefs or arguments. A good story teller, or a man who sees something humorous in the phases of life, is likely to be underestimated by the people at large. They look upon him as a man of trivial mind, as one who weighs lightly the great problems of human affairs, and withhold from him that measure of confidence which an innocent spirit of humor ought to invite rather than repel. Had the wise men of the East been fully aware of Lincoln's exceeding love of story telling, he might never have been president. The Western people are nearer nature than we are, and Lincoln was their idol.

Charles Sumner was completely disgusted when Lincoln, after listening to a long talk from the distinguished senator, made no reply, but slowly unfolding himself, proposed to measure heights. Sumner had neither wit, humor, nor imagination, and Lincoln was an enigma to him. So with Stanton. On the evening of that eventful election day in November, 1864, when all the power of the War and the other departments had been employed to secure his reelection, Lincoln and Stanton were eagerly reading the returns as sent to them by private wire. The suspense was terrible, for the fate of the country seemed to be wavering in the balance. During a lull in the clicking, Lincoln pulled out a yellow pamphlet from his pocket and began reading extracts from *Petroleum V. Nasby*. He read and chuckled, only pausing now and then to con a return. This enraged Stanton beyond measure, and calling one of his assistants aside the secretary gave expression to his wrath. The idea that a man whose country's safety was at issue could so calmly by and read such balderdash was to him simply damnable.

When Lord Lyons, the British minister, called on Lincoln, and presented him with an autograph letter from the Queen, announcing the marriage of the Prince of Wales, and added that whatever response the president might make would be immediately sent to her majesty, Mr. Lincoln instantly replied to the old bachelor minister, "Lyons, go thou and do likewise."

Dignity Lincoln had none, and he never pretended that he had. He was tall, angular, and awkward, his hands and feet were large, his face was bony and time had made furrows all over it. Nature made him like a scarecrow and endowed him like a god. At times Lincoln told stories just as men indulge in any pastime. He was a temperate man, and the cup had no attractions for him. He was not a reading man, and higher literature afforded him no solace. His recreation was in humor. Even in the dark days of the war he found time to indulge in story telling, and no one was more welcome to his evenings than the man of raucous tongue. I recollect that the Senator Nesmith of Oregon, himself a wit and humorist of the first order, showed me a slip of paper on which was written: "Dear Nesmith, come around to-night with your latest. A. Lincoln."

These men spent hours together, not in discussing statecraft or planning policies, but in unrestrained good fellowship, for these stories were Lincoln's great safeguards in moments of mental depression. These stories served him many a good turn in his presidential office, and by fitting some ludicrous story to the occasion he saved himself and his administration from downright embarrassment. As a soft answer turneth away wrath, so would one of his funny stories. He had a great forte in making analogies. When Grant showed him the Dutch Gap canal, and explained how an explosion had thrown the earth back and filled up a part already completed, he turned to Grant and said: "This reminds me of a blacksmith out in

Illinois. One day he took a piece of soft iron, and starting up a fire began to heat it. When he got it hot he began to hammer it, thinking he would make it into an agricultural implement. But after pounding away he found that the iron would not hold out. Then he put it back in the forge, heated it, and began hammering it with the intention of making a claw hammer. But he came to the conclusion that there was more iron than he needed. Again he heated it and thought he would make an axe. After hammering and welding it into shape he concluded there was not enough of the iron left to make an axe that would be of any use. He was disgusted at his repeated attempts, besides being weary. So he filled up his forge full of coal and worked up a tremendous blast, bringing the iron to a white heat. Then with his tongs he lifted it from the bed of coals and plunging it into a tub of water, exclaimed, 'There, by gosh; if I can't make anything else of you I can make a fizzle anyhow.'

Just after he was nominated in 1860, a prominent Mason called on him at Springfield and said: "Of course you expect all the Masons to vote against you, Mr. Lincoln?"

"No, why?"

"Because all the other presidential candidates are Masons."

"Bless me!" exclaimed old Abe, "is that so?"

"Certainly," said the visitor. "Bell has taken all the degrees, and is a member of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee; Breckenridge is an officer of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, and Douglas—why he is grand orator of the Grand Lodge of Illinois—right under your nose."

Mr. Lincoln turned round in his chair, laid his legs across the top of the table, laughed, rubbed his face, stuck his fingers through his hair, and said: "John, you have been down in Sangamon county a good deal yourself."

"Well, yes," admitted the visitor, "sorry to say I have frequented that locality."

"I am reminded," said Mr. Lincoln, "of an incident that occurred there. A woman who was a real hard case was a witness, and the lawyer, bound to get even, asked her, 'Are you a virtuous woman, madam?' She was slightly surprised and said, 'That, sir, is a very hard question to ask a lady who is a witness before a public court.' He rose and repeated the question sternly. She still evaded it, but when he persisted, she finally answered: 'This much I will say—that I have a great respect for the institution.'"

Once a war governor went to him in a towering passion; he literally had blood in his eyes. His interview with Stanton had been stormy, and he betook himself to the president. A few days after one of the officials who had witnessed the scene asked Mr. Lincoln how he had managed the irate governor. "Well," said the president, laughing, "do you know how the Illinois farmer managed the log that lay in the middle of his field? It was too big to haul out, too knotty to split, and too wet and soggy to burn. Well, I will tell you how he got rid of it. He ploughed round it, I ploughed round the governor, but it took three mortal hours to do it and I was afraid every minute he would see what I was at."

At the time of Gen. Cameron's retirement from the cabinet the Republican senators thought a reconstruction of the entire cabinet was advisable, therefore, a committee waited on the president and requested him to make the change. Lincoln listened patiently and then said the request reminded him of a story. A farmer was much troubled by skunks. They annoyed him exceedingly. Finally he got out his old shot-gun and laid in wait for the midnight assassins. His wife listened intently for the report of the gun. At last it cracked on the still night. The man came in, and his wife asked him what luck he had. "Well," said the old man, "I hid behind a woodpile, and soon seven skunk-came along. I blazed away and killed one, but he raised such a fearful smell that I concluded it was best to let the other six go!" The dignified senators saw the point and took their departure.

Lincoln could not bear to put his signature to



death warrants, and his reprieves and pardons furnish a sublime example such as the world had never known. Once Judge Holt, the advocate general, presented a most flagrant case of desertion and insisted that the culprit be shot. The man had thrown down his gun and run away during battle. Extenuating circumstances there were none. The sentence of the court was death. Lincoln ran his fingers through his hair and said, "Well, Judge, I guess I must put this with my leg cases." "Leg cases?" replied Judge Holt. "What do you mean by leg cases?" "Why, do you see those papers crowded into those pigeon-holes? They are the cases you call by that long title 'Cowardice in the face of the enemy,' but I call them leg cases. Now I'll put it to you and let you decide for yourself. If God Almighty gives a man a cowardly pair of legs how can he help running away with them."

Lincoln was always quaint in whatever he did. He could not help it. Nothing was ever done for effect. His peculiarities were not studied, they were inborn and irrepresible.

In September, 1862, a delegation of Chicago clergymen called on him to urge the emancipation proclamation. He heard them patiently, and as they were leaving the White House one of them felt it to be his duty to make an appeal to the president's conscience. "I am compelled to say, Mr. Lincoln, that the Divine Master has instructed me to command you, sir, to open the doors of bondage that the slaves may go free." The president at once replied; "It may be as you say, sir, but is it not strange that the only channel through which the Divine Master could send this message was by that roundabout route by that awfully wicked city of Chicago?"

When the Rebels raided a small detachment of our army, they captured a general and twelve army mules. On hearing of it, Lincoln instantly replied: "How unfortunate! I can fill his place in five minutes, but those mules cost us two hundred dollars apiece."

Gen. Frye once found on looking over applications for offices in the army papers dotted with notes and comments in the president's handwriting, and among others, this characteristic one: "On this day Mrs. ——— called upon me. She is the wife of Major ———, of the regular army. She wants her husband made brigadier general. She is a saucy little woman, and I think she will torment me until I do it. A. L."

Now could there be anything more delicious than this?

Once when told that a Union man had been condemned to die, the choice being left to him to be hung or shot, a smile lighted up his sad features, and he said the situation reminded him of a colored Methodist camp-meeting. There was a brother who responded, "Amen! Bless the Lord!" in a loud voice. The preacher was sweeping the sinners on both sides into the devil's net. He had drawn a picture of eternal damnation, without a saving clause, when the unctuous brother leaped up and yelled out, "Bless the Lord! dis nigger takes to the woods!"

As in the present era of reform and honesty, Mr. Lincoln, like Mr. Cleveland, was beset with office-seekers. They fairly made him sick. As he lay in the White House prostrated by an attack of small pox, he said to his attendants, "Tell all the office-seekers to come at once, for now I have something I can give to all of them."

The relations between Lincoln and Stanton were very close, and sometimes exceedingly comical.

Once a committee, having for its object the exchange of Eastern and Western men, repaired to the war secretary with the president's order for such a change.

Stanton stamped and emphatically said, "No." "But we have the president's order," said the chairman.

"Did Lincoln give you an order of that kind?"

"He did, sir."

"Then he is a damned fool," said the war secretary.

"Do you mean to say that the president is a damned fool," asked the bewildered spokesman.

"Yes, sir, if he gave you such an order as that."

The committee returned to the president and related the scene.

"Did Stanton say I was a damned fool," asked Lincoln.

"He did sir," and he repeated it.

After a moment's pause, the president said: "If Stanton said I was a damned fool, then I must be one, for he is nearly always right and generally says what he means. I will step over and see him."

Lincoln took a memorandum of new stories, and once he stopped the long line at a White House reception in order that he might get the point of a story which he had forgotten. He was not frivolous, he was divinely thoughtful, but he had an unconscious humor which gushed forth at all times and under all circumstances. Nero fiddled while Rome was burning. Lincoln told funny stories when black clouds of disaster hung over the nation. The Roman was drunk with wine and wild with passion; the American was hopeful, calm. The emperor was cruel, vindictive, and debauched; the president was merciful, wise, and pure. Nero was the incarnation of splendid iniquity; Lincoln was the living interpretation of the sermon on the mount.

#### SPEECH OF HON. CHARLES H. BURNS.

Mr. Burns's eloquent oration was a superb effort, for which he was afterward warmly congratulated. He spoke as follows:

MR. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LINCOLN CLUB: The people of the United States are approaching an era in the history of their government, when every man, and possibly every woman, must become an active working member in some political organization. The questions to be settled are of such gravity, and so vital to the business, social condition, and safety of the republic, that all citizens will be compelled to take a part in their solution. It may be distasteful: it will nevertheless be a necessity.

It is impossible to forecast with precision the consequences of the labor agitation and troubles which now beset the land; but it requires no great discernment to see that a draft is to be made upon the wisdom, intelligence, and virtue of all the people in order to meet and settle these difficulties in a way that shall be just and honorable to all parties. They may not become political questions, but they are matters of the highest importance to the people, and require at their hands the most solemn consideration.

We have the question of high and low tariff, or no tariff at all, of protection to American industry, of finance, of taxation, of pensions, and many other issues which constantly confront the people, and they must be met and controlled by the intelligence of the whole country.

Political parties must meet the saloon question in this country. It cannot be avoided.

If any party chooses to ally itself with the liquor saloon power, it must take the consequences. The inducements to court its assistance at the present time, it must be admitted, are great, if principle, and honor, and love of home and country, are left out of consideration; but sooner or later the hand that seeks a marriage with the mistress who embraces almost every wretch on earth of both high and low degree, will wither as it deserves. The time is coming when the people of this nation will no longer bear with the insolence and havoc of the grog shop.

Three decades ago the slave power in this land became insolent in its demands, and it wielded an influence that was courted by the Democratic party. It threatened to call the roll of its slaves beneath the shadow of Bunker Hill monument. It enacted a law which turned every foot of the soil of the North into a hunting-ground for fleeing humanity. It sought to establish itself in neigh-

borhoods which had been solemnly dedicated to freedom. It elected presidents, made and unmade courts, controlled Congresses, stifled the consciences of statesmen, gagged the freedom of press and speech, dictated the policy and shaped the acts of the government, and domineered with impudent swagger, like a bloated monarch, over this land which it claimed as its kingdom.

When it was finally met and beaten at the polls by the Republican party, it clutched, in its desperation, at the throat of the nation, and undertook to destroy it, but the assassin who would slay himself was slain; and the Democratic party, which nursed and encouraged the barbarous system, was relegated to a retirement which lasted for a quarter of a century, and from which it has but recently been accidentally and temporarily called.

The power of the liquor sa'oon is such that it dictates the beards of selectmen; it elects aldermen and councilmen and mayors; it organizes societies whose openly avowed purpose is to defeat the law; it disregards the authority of men and the supplications of women; and its influence and sway are getting to be such that the conscience and sense of honor of the nation, which is now asleep, will soon awake and arise, and smite this monster and send it to everlasting perdition, and the party that sustains it will go with it.

These are a few of the issues which await the solution of the American people; and that party which possesses the wisdom and courage to grapple with these great problems, and demand that they shall be settled in a way that shall be useful to the progress of humanity, is the party which in the end will control and direct this government.

The Republican party during the last twenty-five years has been compelled to act upon some of the most critical questions ever presented to the people of any age or country; questions involving national interest of the highest importance, even to the preservation of the Union and the maintenance, credit, and honor of the nation, as well as the enfranchisement of one tenth of all the people of the United States; and upon all these great and unprecedented questions it has always espoused the side of freedom and justice. It has carried the nation safely through each and every crisis.

It could not have weathered so many dangerous capes or breasted so many terrific storms had it not had for pilots some of the noblest and ablest men that our country has produced. In the war, our helm was guided by Andrew, Morton, Seward, Chase, Stanton, Sumner, Garfield, and Lincoln. God bless his memory, at the touch of whose pen the chains of four millions of slaves were broken, never to be reforged; and Sherman, who, thank God, still lives; and Grant, whose fame is as imperishable as the light of the stars; and honest John Logan, from whose bier the mourners have but just gone. This is a list of contemporaneous civil and military leaders, which the nation, in all its history, cannot surpass or match. Their characters and deeds challenge the admiration of mankind, and their memories are embalmed in enduring fame. It has been truly said that "the heroic example of other days is in great part the source of the courage of each generation." In the lives of these splendid leaders our country finds an inspiration which, if heeded, will lead to the highest and grandest national achievements.

From this galaxy of distinguished Americans we select on this anniversary of his lowly birth that noble and God-crowned man, Abraham Lincoln. To-night and here we humbly assist in gathering up "the scattered rashes into history's golden urn." We pay an earnest tribute to the good citizen, the painstaking and conscientious lawyer, the wise, patriotic, and far-seeing statesman, the matchless political leader, the martyred president, and the uncompromising friend of humanity. A man who, in intellectual power and strength, was the peer of the ablest of his countrymen, and whose heart was larger than his brain. His was one of

the few great lives which had an humble beginning, a slow development, a tremendous influence and import, and a tragic ending before it was fully appreciated by his countrymen. From the moment the good man was stricken down, his fame began to live and grow. The greatness of his mind, the goodness of his heart, the far-reaching significance and sublimity of his work, are now recognized the world over. All alike concede the sincerity, purity, goodness, and beauty of his character; and over his whole life there "arches a bow of unquestioned integrity."

It cannot be said of Mr. Lincoln, as Victor Hugo extravagantly wrote of Napoleon, "He was everything." He was complete; he made history, and he wrote it." But it can be said that he is a complete a figure as the present century has produced, and that he was the conspicuous and successful leader in a series of civil, political, and military events which constitute the most remarkable crisis and the most important epoch in the history of modern times. He presided over the nation at a time when treason was doing its deadliest work; when the Union was in the deepest peril; when the destinies of forty millions of living souls, as well as countless generations then unborn, stood trembling in the balance; and it is the highest exultation to pronounce on this consecrated man that the nation, under his loving and patriotic guidance, was triumphant over every foe, and came out from its ordeal of treason and civil war with the union of these states reaffirmed upon a basis as solid as the eternal hills.

When Wendell Phillips died, Joseph Crook eloquently said of him, "There lies dead on his shield in yonder street an unsullied soldier of unpopular reform, a spotlessly disinterested champion of the oppressed, the foremost orator of the English-speaking world in recent years, the largest and latest, let us hope not the last, of the Puritans. A servant of the Most High God, a man on the altar of whose heart the coals of fire were kindled by a breath from the Divine justice and tenderness, Wendell Phillips has gone doubtless to an incalculably great reward. He is with Garrison and Sumner and Lincoln now; he has met Wilberforce and Clarkson; he is in the company of Aristides and Scipio and the Roman Gracchi, and of all the past martyrs who in every age have laid down their lives that the darkness of the ages might be a little lightened." And so it can be said of Abraham Lincoln: he is among the martyrs "who have laid down their lives that the darkness of the ages might be a little lightened." Whether he is viewed as the head of the greatest political party known to history, or as commander-in-chief of the bravest and most intelligent army of soldiers that was ever marshalled on the face of the earth; or as president of the most successful Republic it has ever adorned the family of nations,—he answers all the tests of patriotism, wise statesmanship, high citizenship, and noble manhood.

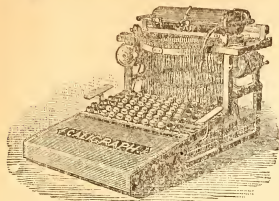
All honor, then, to the imperishable name of Abraham Lincoln. In life a patriot, in death a martyr, in eternity the companion of the good of all ages,—his example is the heritage of his country.

He lives; the patriot lives no more to die;  
And while dim rolling centuries hasten by,  
He still *shall* live, the man of thought sublime,  
Down to the latest hour of coming time.

In the absence of Hon. Henry Robinson, John J. Bell of Exeter was called upon as the closing speaker, and responded with a brief but eloquent tribute to the achievements of the Republican party, and a statement of the duties before it. It was 1:15 a. m. when the company left the tables.

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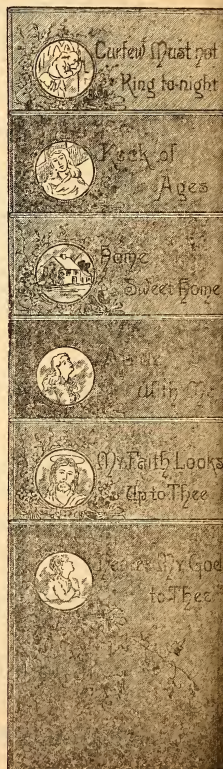


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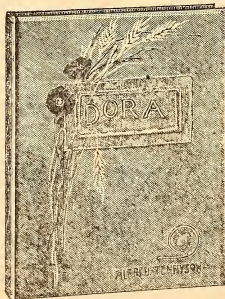


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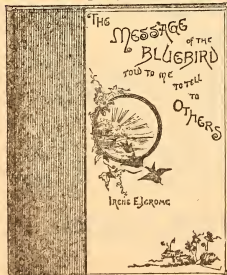
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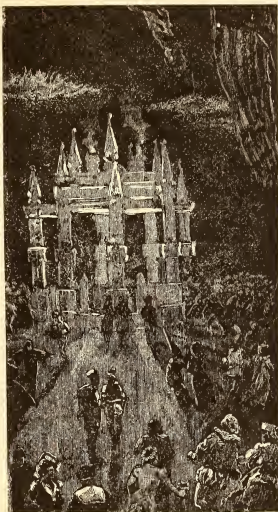
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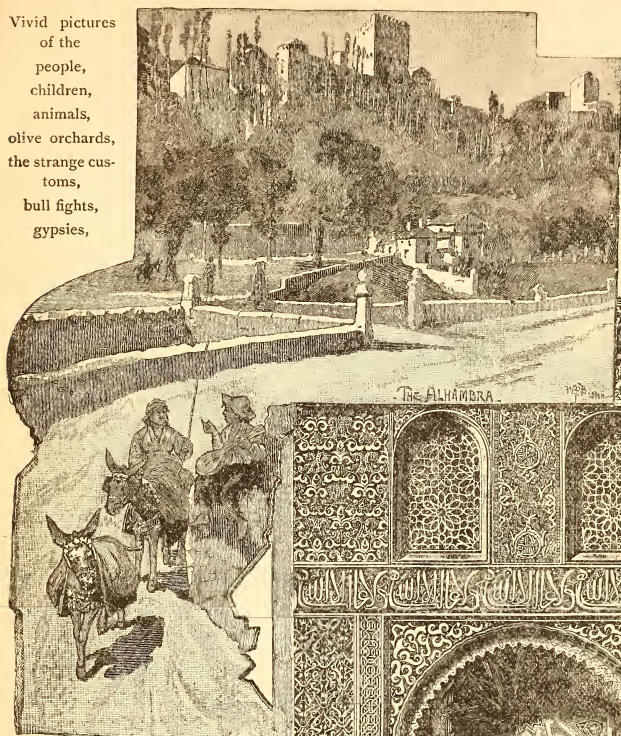


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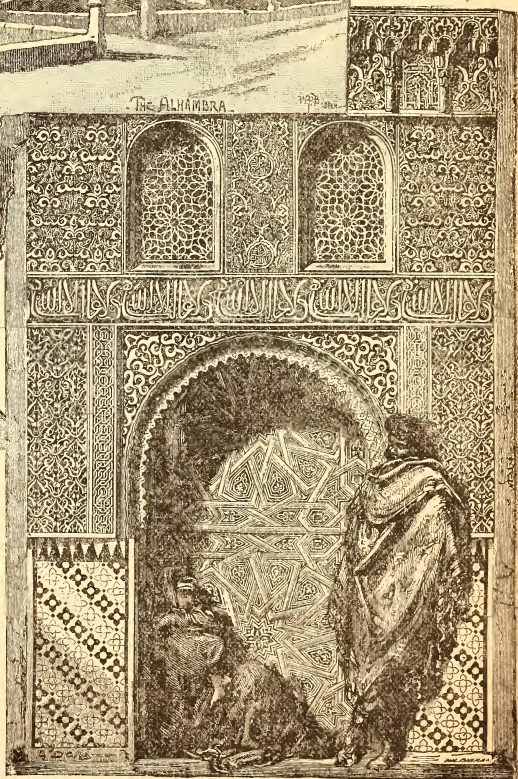
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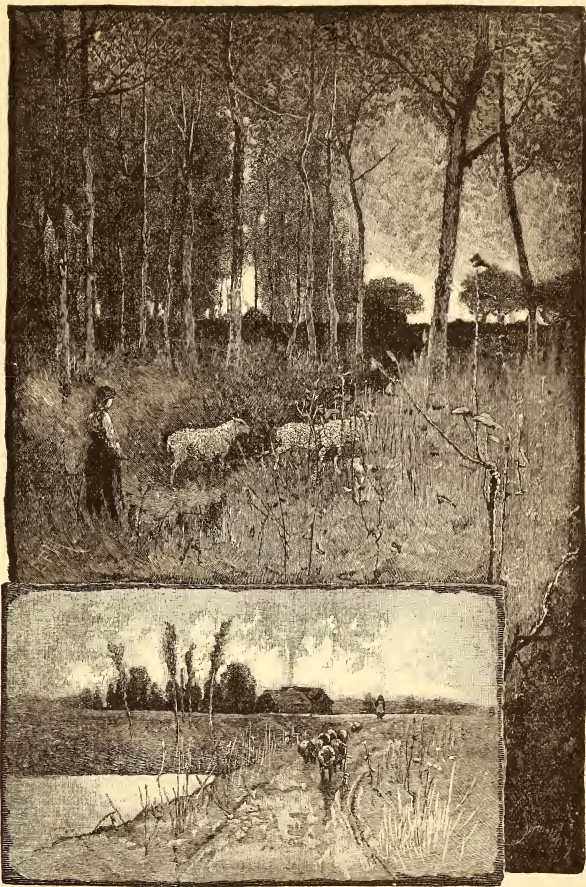
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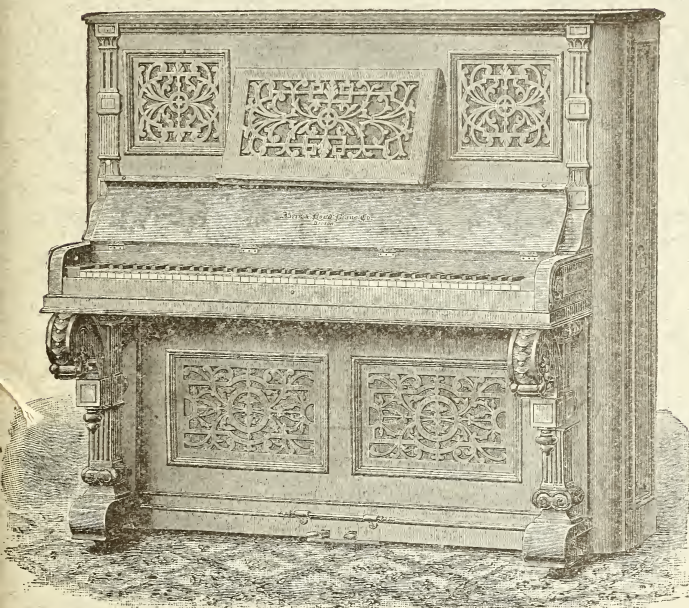


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